

## California Changes

**Learn About It**

In this unit, your child will learn:

- about immigrants that came to California in the early 1900s, the state as an agricultural leader, and the Los Angeles Aqueduct
- about reforms in the early 1900s and how they affect California today

Here are some ways that you can help your child learn:

**Talk About It**

Chapter 8: A Growing State

**Newcomers** Discuss with your child

the major factors that contributed to California's growth as an agricultural state and find out what crops are grown near your community. Also discuss the factors that led to the growth of Los Angeles and San Francisco.

Chapter 9: A Stronger California

**Reform and Change** In the early 1900s, great progress was made in workers' and women's rights. This time period also saw the growth of the tourism, aerospace, and movie industries. Talk with your child how these industries are still a major part of California today.

**Make It**

**Timeline** With your child, create a timeline of events that happened in California between the late 1800s and the Great Depression in the 1930s. It can be a pictorial timeline. Include historical events, famous people, and other important developments.

**Read to Learn More About It**

*Pacific Odyssey to California*, by Laurie Lawlor. This is the story of an 11-year-old Korean girl in California at the beginning of the 1900s. The story relates the family's challenge of blending their old culture with their new American culture.

*A Long Way to Go: A Story of Women's Rights*, by Zibby O'Neal. Eight-year-old Lila deals with the woman suffrage movement during World War I (1914–1918).

*Pioneers—1937*, by Patricia de Belloy Williams. A story about two girls from different backgrounds who cross paths during the Midwestern emigration to California during the Dust Bowl in the 1930s.

**Technology**

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