



*Optional plan to use America's Story
Volumes 1 - 3 as a high school credit.*

Week #	America's Story 1	Literature*	Supplemental	Timeline	Written Narration
1	Chapters 1, 2		Drive thru History** America: #1 The Discovery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - People groups come after Tower of Babel - Vikings come to America 	_____ Chapter 1 _____ Chapter 2
2	Chapters 3, 4	Traitor - the Case of Benedict Arnold	Drive thru History America: #2 Pilgrims Search for Freedom & #3 Beginnings of Revolution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Christopher Columbus opens door for European Exploration. - The other explorers covered - English settlements/other main events 	_____ Chapter 3 _____ Chapter 4
3	Chapters 5, 6, 7	Traitor - the Case of Benedict Arnold	Drive thru History America: #4 Whitefield & Boston's Freedom Trail	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pilgrims - Squanto/Thanksgiving - Other main events 	_____ Chapter 5 _____ Chapter 6 _____ Chapter 7
4	Chapters 8, 9	The Great Little Madison	Drive thru History America: Foundations of Character #1- #5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Settling of Pennsylvania - William Wilberforce's victories 	_____ Chapter 8 _____ Chapter 9
5	Chapters 10, 11	The Great Little Madison	Drive thru History America: Foundations of Character #6 - #9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - French & Indian War - Other main events (ch. 11) 	_____ Chapter 10 _____ Chapter 11
6	Chapters 12, 13, 14	Amos Fortune	Drive thru History America: #4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Main events (ch. 12) - The beginning of the Revolution - Main events (ch. 14) 	_____ Chapter 12 _____ Chapter 13 _____ Chapter 14
7	Chapters 15, 16, 17	Sleepy Hollow	Drive thru History America: #5 William Penn & Early Philadelphia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Main events (ch. 15) - End of Revolution - First President - Other main events 	_____ Chapter 15 _____ Chapter 16 _____ Chapter 17

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8	Chapters 18, 19, 20	Streams to River, River to the Sea	Drive thru History America: #6 Founding Fathers of Philadelphia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Westward expansion - Louisiana Purchase - Voyage of L & C 	_____ Chapter 18 _____ Chapter 19 _____ Chapter 20
9	Chapters 21, 22, 23	Streams to River, River to the Sea	Spend time each day preparing for the end of the trimester presentation. Review/work on	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - War of 1812/other main events - Industrial Rev. Events - Main events ch. 23 	_____ Chapter 21 _____ Chapter 22 _____ Chapter 23
10	Chapters 24, 25, 26	Indian Captive - the Story of Mary Jemison	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Timeline project - Literature project - Written narrations for each chapter. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Main events/people ch. 24 - The Alamo - Main events ch. 26 	_____ Chapter 24 _____ Chapter 25 _____ Chapter 26
11	Chapters 27, 28	Bound for Oregon		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Main events ch. 27 	_____ Chapter 27 _____ Chapter 28
12	Final Week	Presentation - should be 20-30 min. in length and should show flow of history with the timeline, the cause and effect of this time period, and be well presented.			

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** Drive thru History segments may or may not perfectly coincide with the content of the chapters being read.

Week #	America's Story 2	Literature*	Supplemental	Timeline	Written Narration
13	Chapters 1, 2	Elijah of Buxton		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Main events of Ch. 1 - Main events of Lincoln's life (covered in ch. 2) 	<p>_____ Chapter 1</p> <p>_____ Chapter 2</p>
14	Chapters 3, 4	Elijah of Buxton	<p>There are quite a few good documentaries about the Civil War/Lincoln. Here is one that I think is pretty accurate: https://www.amazon.com/gp/video/detail/B004S7AZFG/ref=pd_cbs_318_7</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Main events of Lincoln's life (covered in ch. 3) - Important Civil War events (ch. 4) 	<p>_____ Chapter 3</p> <p>_____ Chapter 4</p>
15	Chapters 5, 6, 7	The Slopes of War - A Novel of Gettysburg	<p>There is a lot of interesting and useful information here: https://www.history.com/topics/black-history/underground-railroad</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Important Civil War events (ch. 5) - The end of the C. W. - Reconstruction/other important events (ch. 7) 	<p>_____ Chapter 5</p> <p>_____ Chapter 6</p> <p>_____ Chapter 7</p>
16	Chapters 8, 9	The Slopes of War - A Novel of Gettysburg		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 100 years old! - Important events (ch. 9) 	<p>_____ Chapter 8</p> <p>_____ Chapter 9</p>
17	Chapters 10, 11	Bonanza Girl	Calamity Jane with Doris Day	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Important events (ch. 10) - Wild West/events/characters 	<p>_____ Chapter 10</p> <p>_____ Chapter 11</p>
18	Chapters 12, 13, 14	Bonanza Girl	History Channel movie - The Men Who Built America (first half)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Land Rush (ch. 12) - Important events (ch. 13) - Important events/people (ch. 14) 	<p>_____ Chapter 12</p> <p>_____ Chapter 13</p> <p>_____ Chapter 14</p>

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19	Chapters 15, 16, 17	The Adventures of Tom Sawyer	History Channel movie - The Men Who Built America (second half)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Important events (ch. 15) - Chicago on Fire - Important people/events (ch 17) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> _____ Chapter 15 _____ Chapter 16 _____ Chapter 17
20	Chapters 18, 19, 20	The Adventures of Tom Sawyer	<p>This is our family's favorite Huck Finn movie:</p> <p>https://www.amazon.com/Adventures-Huck-Finn-Elijah-Wood/dp/B003Y2UCC2/ref=sr_1_3?s=instant-video&ie=UTF8&qid=1536089967&sr=1-3&keywords=huck+finn</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Important people/events (ch. 18) - (19) - (20) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> _____ Chapter 18 _____ Chapter 19 _____ Chapter 20
21	Chapters 21, 22, 23	The Call of the Wild	Spend time each day preparing for the end of the trimester presentation.	- Important events... (21, 22, 23)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> _____ Chapter 21 _____ Chapter 22 _____ Chapter 23
22	Chapters 24, 25, 26	The Call of the Wild	<p>Review/work on</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Timeline project - Literature project - Written narrations for each chapter. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Time zones - Important people/events (25) - Important people/events (26) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> _____ Chapter 24 _____ Chapter 25 _____ Chapter 26
23	Chapters 27, 28			- Important events... (27, 28)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> _____ Chapter 27 _____ Chapter 28
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25	Chapters 1, 2	The Moonshiner's Son	Some footage of Roosevelt: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3Kja4AVDyFw	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Teddy Roosevelt - Presidents/events (covered in ch. 2) 	<p>_____ Chapter 1</p> <p>_____ Chapter 2</p>
26	Chapters 3, 4	The Moonshiner's Son/ The Yanks are Coming	This is real footage of the production of the Model T: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S4KrIMZpwCY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Main events (ch. 3) - Important events (ch. 4) 	<p>_____ Chapter 3</p> <p>_____ Chapter 4</p>
27	Chapters 5, 6, 7	The Yanks are Coming		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Titanic(ch. 5) - Important people/events (ch. 6) - Important people/events (ch. 7) 	<p>_____ Chapter 5</p> <p>_____ Chapter 6</p> <p>_____ Chapter 7</p>
28	Chapters 8, 9	Out of the Dust	PBS documentary series about the Dust Bowl: https://www.amazon.com/Episode-1-Great-Plow-Up/dp/B00A1ZWUDY/ref=sr_1_1?ie=UTF8&qid=1536091791&sr=8-1&keywords=the+dust+bowl+ken+burns	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Crash! - Great Depression 	<p>_____ Chapter 8</p> <p>_____ Chapter 9</p>
29	Chapters 10, 11	To Kill a Mockingbird		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - World War 2 begins - America enters the war 	<p>_____ Chapter 10</p> <p>_____ Chapter 11</p>
30	Chapters 12, 13, 14	To Kill a Mockingbird		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Important events/people (12, 13) - The Cold War 	<p>_____ Chapter 12</p> <p>_____ Chapter 13</p> <p>_____ Chapter 14</p>

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31	Chapters 15, 16, 17	Freedom Walkers	More Ken Burns documentaries: These are about Vietnam. (please preview) https://www.amazon.com/Vietnam-War-Can-Akdeniz/dp/B01MQA23VB/ref=sr_1_7?s=instant-video&ie=UTF8&qid=1536091846&sr=1-7&keywords=Ken+burns	- Important people/events (ch. 15, 16, 17)	_____ Chapter 15 _____ Chapter 16 _____ Chapter 17
32	Chapters 18, 19, 20	Freedom Walkers		- Important events/people ch. 18, 19, 20	_____ Chapter 18 _____ Chapter 19 _____ Chapter 20
33	Chapters 21, 22, 23	The Cross and the Switchblade	Spend time each day preparing for the end of the trimester presentation.	- Important events... (21, 22, 23)	_____ Chapter 21 _____ Chapter 22 _____ Chapter 23
34	Chapters 24, 25, 26	The Cross and the Switchblade	Review/work on - Timeline project - Literature project - Written narrations for each chapter.	- Important people/events (24, 25) - The attacks on 9/11/21	_____ Chapter 24 _____ Chapter 25 _____ Chapter 26
35	Chapters 27, 28			- Important events... (27, 28)	_____ Chapter 27 _____ Chapter 28
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Poetry:

I highly recommend this **poetry book** to round out your American history/literature studies:

Timeline ideas:

- cut three to five full sized poster boards in thirds horizontally. Tape end to end to create one long strip. Each week, sketch or print/paste images to your timeline. Write a short paragraph under each image describing what it is and the dates on which it happened.
- Use this timeline book, and do the same type of figures/characters as described above.
- Invest in this **beautiful resource from Homeschool in the Woods**.

Literature study ideas:

- Author study
- In depth book report
- There are many free resources for studying literature, and if you don't mind paying a little bit, there are some amazing resources at <https://www.teacherspayteachers.com>
- Dramatic interpretation