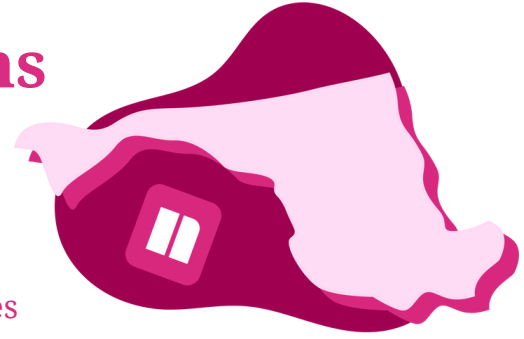


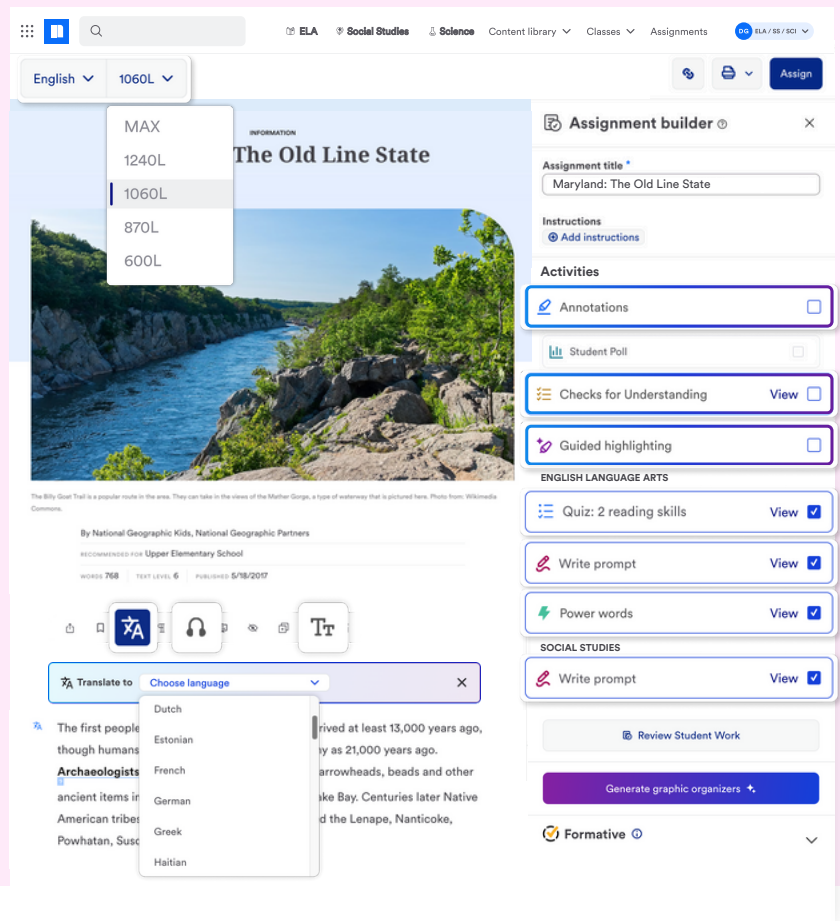
# History, Headlines, and Lessons to Shape Tomorrow's Citizens



Inspire students with diverse, state-specific content — including materials curated to support Maryland's standards and initiatives — that connects history with current events and promotes scaffolded, inquiry-based learning, all in one place.

**Students who used Newsela Social Studies weekly showed the equivalent of an additional year of instruction on their state social studies exam.**

- Engage students with **relevant, diverse, and authentic materials** like primary sources, biographies, speeches, and videos.
- Create an inquiry-driven experience** that places your students at the forefront using curated text sets for digital citizenship, media literacy skills, and C3 inquiry skills.
- Build literacy skills** by helping students make sense of the world through texts, discussions, and critical thinking.
- Drive success for all students with **Luna, an AI assistant**, that powers features such as a text levester, text translator, checks for understanding, graphic organizers, and more to support all learners.



## Tailor instruction to the **needs of your unique classroom and community.**

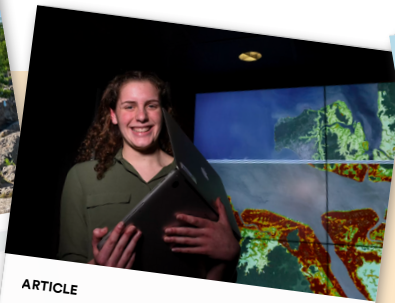
By integrating local narratives and resources, Maryland educators can create learning experiences that resonate with students' lives while covering essential standards and initiatives.

### Maryland Elementary Social Studies Collection

The Maryland Elementary Social Studies Collection provides content and instructional resources aligned to Maryland's 4th grade state history standards, including resources to support inquiry-based learning in every unit.



ARTICLE  
Maryland: The Old Line State



ARTICLE  
Maryland teen is already mapping her future with NASA



ARTICLE  
Chesapeake Bay improves ecological health with recent report card





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The blogger quietly preserving Maryland's culinary history

Each collection includes a unique and robust set of resources that enable teachers to deliver the content in a meaningful way.



#### Lesson Sparks

Lesson Objective 

Lesson Sequence 

Standards

# Overview of the Maryland Elementary Social Studies Collection

Unit	Key Questions and Sample Lessons
<p>Worlds Collide (1450-1650)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Societies Shaped By Environment</li> <li>• American Indian Settlements and Exchanges</li> <li>• Interactions Between Continents</li> <li>• Factors the Led to European Exploration</li> <li>• The Impact of European Exploration</li> <li>• Inquiry: How does exploration change people and the environment?</li> </ul>
<p>Resistance, Colonization, and European Expansion in North America (1500 – 1650)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Intro to Colonial Regions</li> <li>• Comparing Colonies</li> <li>• Religious Conflict in Colonial Maryland</li> <li>• The Triangle Trade</li> <li>• Colonial Laws Defining Freedom</li> <li>• Enslavement in Colonial America</li> <li>• Enslavement in Maryland</li> <li>• Rise of Maryland’s Tobacco Industry</li> <li>• Impact of Colonization on American Indians</li> <li>• Inquiry: Who does colonialism benefit?</li> </ul>
<p>American Revolution (1750 - 1789)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• French and Indian War</li> <li>• Causes of the Revolution: Taxation</li> <li>• Causes of the Revolution: Enlightenment &amp; Great Awakening</li> <li>• The Declaration of Independence</li> <li>• Responses to the Declaration of Independence</li> <li>• Patriots and Loyalists in Maryland</li> <li>• Acts of Resistance in the Colonies</li> <li>• African Americans &amp; Women Supporting the Revolution in MD</li> <li>• Articles of Confederation</li> <li>• Challenges of the New Nation</li> <li>• Inquiry: Did the revolution achieve life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness for all?</li> </ul>