ESSENTIAL CIVIL WAR CURRICULUM

Abraham Lincoln

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Resources

If you can read only one book

Author	Title. City: Publisher, Year.
Carwardine, Richard J.	Lincoln: A Life of Purpose and Power. New
	York: Alfred A. Knopf, 2006.

For a study of the period with a focus on Lincoln

Author	Title. City: Publisher, Year.
Burton, Orville Vernon	The Age of Lincoln. New York: Hill &
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Author	Title. City: Publisher, Year.
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	Westport, CT: Greenwood Press, 1976.
Bruce, Robert V.	Lincoln and the Tools of War. New York:
	Bobbs-Merrill Company, 1956.
Burlingame, Michael	Abraham Lincoln: A Life. Baltimore: Johns
	Hopkins Press, 2008.
Burton, Orville Vernon	The Essential Lincoln. New York: Hill &
	Wang, 2009.
Carman, Harry J. and Luthin, Reinhardt H.	Lincoln and the Patronage. New York:
	Columbia University Press, 1943.

Conroy, James	Lincoln's White House. Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield, 2016.
Cox, LaWanda C.	Lincoln and Black Freedom: A Study in Presidential Leadership. Columbia: University of South Carolina Press, 1981.
Crofts, Daniel W.	Reluctant Confederates: Upper South Unionists in the Secession Crisis. Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 1989.
Donald, David Herbert	Lincoln. New York: Simon & Schuster, 1995.
Gerteis, Louis S.	From Contraband to Freedman: Federal Policy Toward Southern Blacks, 1861-1865. Westport, CT: Greenwood Press, 1973.
Fehrenbacher, Don E.	Prelude to Greatness: Lincoln in the 1850s. Stanford CT: Stanford University Press, 1962.
Foner, Eric.	The Fiery Trial: Abraham Lincoln and American Slavery. New York: W.W. Norton, 2010.
Goodwin, Doris Kearn.	Team of Rivals: The Political Genius of Abraham Lincoln. Norwalk, CT: Easton Press, 2005.
Guelzo, Allen C.	Abraham Lincoln: Redeemer President, Grand Rapids, MI: William B. Eerdmans Publishing, 1999.
Holzer, Harold	Lincoln at Cooper Union: The Speech that Made Abraham Lincoln President, New York: Simon & Schuster, 2004.
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McClintock, Russell	Lincoln and the Decision for War: The Northern Response to Secession. Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2008.
McCrary, Peyton	Abraham Lincoln and Reconstruction: The Louisiana Experiment. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press, 1978.
McPherson, James	Abraham Lincoln and the Second American Revolution. Norwalk, CT: Easton Press, 1991.
McPherson, James	Battle Cry of Freedom: The Civil War Era. New York: Oxford University Press, 1988.

McPherson, James	Tried by War: Abraham Lincoln as Commander in Chief. New York: Penguin Press, 2008.
Neely, Jr., Mark E.	The Fate of Liberty: Abraham Lincoln and Civil Liberties. New York: Oxford University Press, 1991.
Nevins, Allan	Ordeal of the Union. New York: Charles Scribner's Sons, 1947-1971, 8 vols.
Potter, David M.	The Impending Crisis, 1848-1861. New York: Harper and Row, 1963.
Paludan, Phillip Shaw	The Presidency of Abraham Lincoln. Lawrence, KS: University Press of Kansas, 1994.
Thomas, Benjamin P.	Abraham Lincoln: A Biography. New York: Knopf, 1952.
Trefousse, Hans	The Radical Republicans: Lincoln's Vanguard for Racial Justice. Baton Rouge: Louisiana State University Press, 1968.
William, T. Harry	Lincoln and His Generals. New York: Knopf, 1952.

Organizations

Organization Name	Description, Contact information including
	address, email
Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and	The Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library
Museum	and Museum houses the world's largest
	archive of papers and artifacts on Abraham
	Lincoln and a large collection on the history
	of Illinois. 112 North Sixth Street
	Springfield, IL 62701
	(217) 558 8844 M-F 9:00-5:00
	http://www.alplm.org/

Web Resources

URL	Name and description
http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/alhtml/malhome.html	Abraham Lincoln Papers at the
	Library of Congress. The mission
	of the Library of Congress is to
	make its resources available and
	useful to Congress and the
	American people and to sustain and
	preserve a universal collection of
	knowledge and creativity for future
	generations. The goal of the
	Library's National Digital Library
	Program is to offer broad public
	access to a wide range of historical
	and cultural documents as a
	contribution to education and
	lifelong learning. The complete
	Abraham Lincoln Papers at the
	Library of Congress consists of
	approximately 20,000 documents.
http://www.papersofabrahamlincoln.org/	The Papers of Abraham Lincoln is
	a long-term project dedicated to
	identifying, imaging, and
	publishing all documents written by
	or to Abraham Lincoln during his
	lifetime (1809-1865).

Other Sources

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