

## Welcome to Britannica LaunchPacks: Social Studies packs.eb.com

Save planning time and make instruction more productive with these ready-to-use content sets that are curated and compiled to match your PreK-12 Social Studies curriculum. One convenient interface streamlines searching among 1,700+ current, trustworthy, and relevant LaunchPacks. Each Britannica LaunchPack is dedicated to a specific topic and features a variety of content types, ideal for lessons, classroom activities, projects, and assignments.

The screenshot displays the Britannica LaunchPacks website interface for Social Studies. At the top, the header includes the Britannica logo and 'LAUNCHPACKS™' on the left, and 'Help Sign In -' on the right. Below the header is a blue banner with the text 'START SMART WITH LAUNCHPACKS!'. Underneath the banner, the page title 'LaunchPacks for Social Studies' is visible. There are two filter buttons: 'Filter grade levels' and 'Filter by category...'. A search bar on the right contains the text 'American Revolution'. A grid of content packs is displayed below. Each pack card includes a title, a list of resources (Articles, Images, Videos, Primary Sources), and a grade level indicator. Callout boxes highlight specific features: 'Filter by category.' points to the 'Filter by category...' button; 'Filter by grade level.' points to the 'Filter grade levels' button; 'Conduct a keyword search.' points to the search bar; and 'Find a variety of resources, including articles, multimedia pieces, and primary sources.' points to the resource list on a pack card.

Filter by category.

Filter by grade level.

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# Inside LaunchPacks

The screenshot shows the Britannica LaunchPacks interface for 'The American Revolution'. At the top, the title 'The American Revolution' is displayed with a star icon and a filter for 'GRADES 3-5'. A callout bubble points to the filter, stating: 'Change the grade level materials within each LaunchPack.' Below the title, there are filter buttons for 'ALL (8)', 'ARTICLES (3)', 'IMAGES (2)', 'VIDEOS (2)', and 'PRIMARY SOURCES (1)'. There are also 'Customize' and 'Share' buttons. The main content area features several cards: 'American Revolution' (Article), 'Document: Treaty of Paris - Proclamation of Congress January 14, 1784' (Primary Source), 'American Revolution: Washington at Valley Forge' (Image), and 'George Washington' (Article). Each card has an 'Article Reading Level' indicator with three buttons (1, 2, 3). A callout bubble points to the '1' button on the 'George Washington' card, stating: 'Adjust the reading level of any article.' On the right side, there is a video player and another card. A callout bubble points to the 'Share' button, stating: 'Share LaunchPacks by sharing links or by e-mail.' A modal window is open, titled 'Copy the link to this LaunchPack', showing a URL 'http://eb.com/31776' and a 'Copy Link' button. Below this, there is an option to 'Send an e-mail with a link to this LaunchPack' with fields for 'To', 'From', and 'E-mail', and 'Cancel' and 'Send' buttons.

# Customize LaunchPacks

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## The American Revolution

GRADES 3-5 • See this pack for GRADES 6-8 or GRADES 9-12

Filter by content type: All Favorite Schedule Customize Share

Click on the star to note a "favorite" LaunchPack and to return to it later.

Customize each LaunchPack.

This screenshot shows the main interface for a LaunchPack titled "The American Revolution" for grades 3-5. The interface includes a navigation bar with the user's name, a title bar with the pack name and grade level, and a content area with various resource cards. A callout points to a star icon on a card, and another points to the "Customize" button in the top right.

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## The American Revolution

GRADES 3-5

*You are in Edit Mode* Discard Changes Save Changes

Add a Pack Note

Remove any resources that you don't need.

Save or discard changes you make to your LaunchPack.

Customize your LaunchPack by uploading your own documents or external links.

Add notes for each component of your LaunchPack.

This screenshot shows the "Edit Mode" interface for the same LaunchPack. A green banner at the top indicates "You are in Edit Mode" and provides "Discard Changes" and "Save Changes" buttons. The main content area is titled "Add a Pack Note" and contains several interactive elements: a "Remove" button for a resource card, an "Add Custom Content" box with "Upload a Document" and "Add an External Link" options, a "Document" card, a "Britannica Note" card, a "Video" card, and a "Teacher Keating's Note" card. Callouts explain the functions of these elements.

# Annotate LaunchPacks

Students and educators can make reading active with digital highlighting and note-taking. To get started, use the toggle at the top of any article to switch from read mode to annotate mode. Next, click and drag to highlight the specific text that you would like to focus on in the article. When the pencil icon appears, click the icon to open a space in which to write a note and select one of the six colored labels from a drop-down list: comment, question, vocabulary, evidence, summary, and connection.

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READ  ANNOTATE

Annotation Tools Filter by... [Email] [Download] [Delete]

5 annotations

## American Revolution

Alternate titles: United States War of Independence, American Revolutionary War, War of Independence, Revolutionary War

### Introduction

American Revolution, also called United States War of Independence or American Revolutionary War. (1775–83). **insurrection by which 13 of Great Britain's North American colonies won political independence and went on to form the United States of America.**

The war followed more than a decade of growing **estrangement** between the British crown and a large and influential group of **colonies** that was caused by British attempts to assert greater control over the colonies. Having long adhered to a **policy of salutary neglect**, the British government had not enforced trade laws strictly. **British Empire**, but afterward it became an international war as France (in 1778), Spain (in 1779), and the Netherlands (in 1780) joined the colonies against Britain. From the beginning, **sea power was vital in determining the course of the war**, leading to British strategy a flexibility that helped compensate for the comparatively small numbers of troops sent to America and ultimately enabling the French to help bring about the final

Comments...

- Comment
- Question
- Vocabulary
- Evidence
- Summary
- Connection

Cancel Save

How did sea power help to determine the course of the war?

- Question

Find annotations on the right side of the screen.

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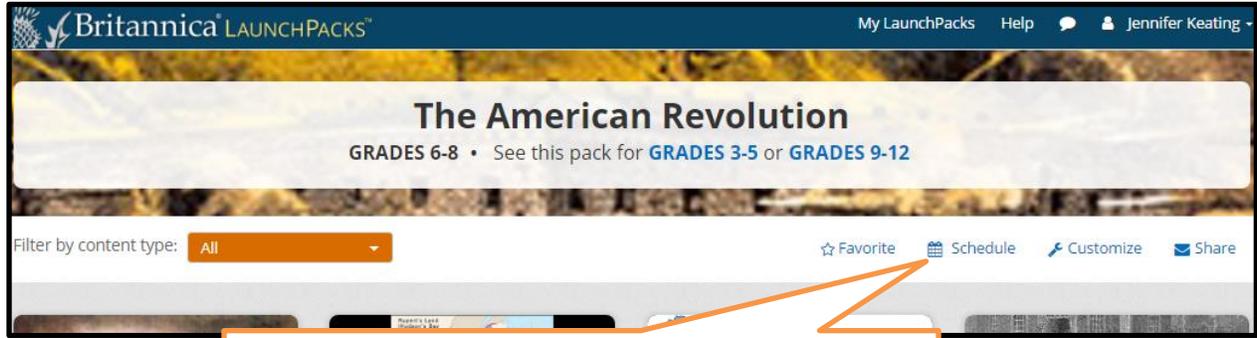
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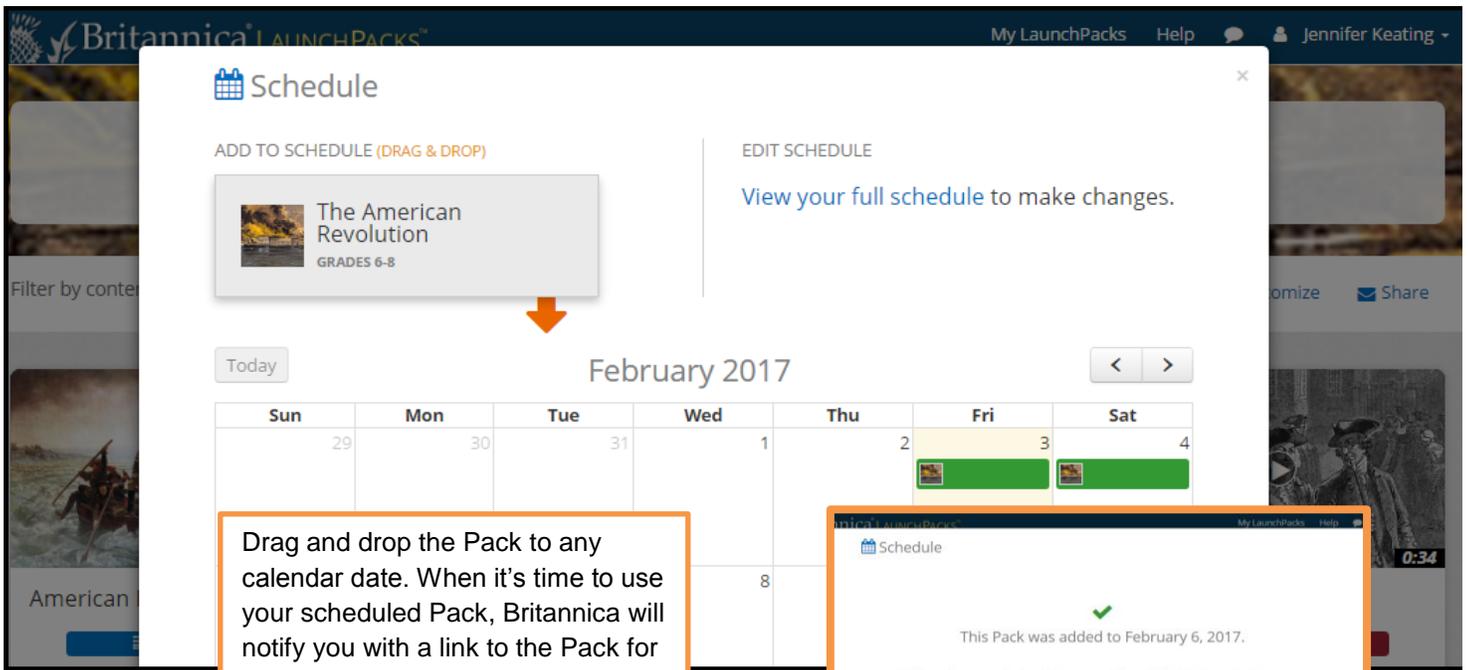
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To color code your annotation, simply highlight the text you want, click on the pencil icon, select the annotation type from the drop-down menu, and enter in any notes you may have.

# Schedule LaunchPacks

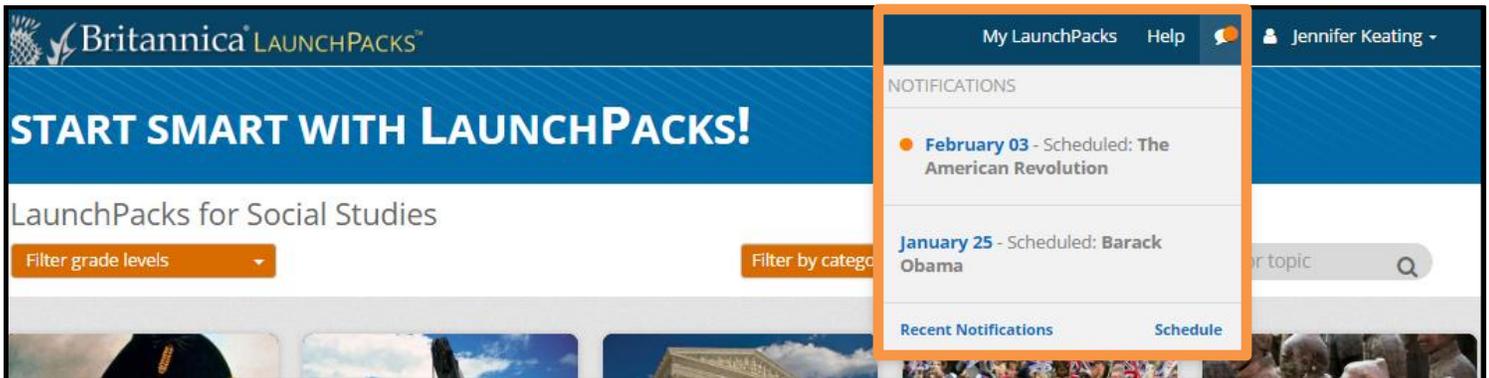


LaunchPacks provides educators with a personalized calendar to schedule Packs for future use. Start by clicking on the “Schedule” icon in each LaunchPack.



Drag and drop the Pack to any calendar date. When it's time to use your scheduled Pack, Britannica will notify you with a link to the Pack for easy access!

This Pack was added to February 6, 2017. We'll send you a reminder, but you can visit your Schedule to make changes or to see what's coming up.



# Create My LaunchPacks

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START SMART WITH LAUNCHPACKS!

LaunchPacks for

Filter grade levels

Filter by category...

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PERSONAL ACCOUNT

Sign In  
or Create an Account

Help Sign In

To create your My LaunchPacks account, click the "Sign In" link in the top right corner, then click "Create an Account."

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Create a personal account

First Name

Last Name

Username

Password

E-mail (optional for students)

I am a:  Student  Educator

Create Account

ACCESS PROVIDED BY EB Home office

With a personal account, you can:

- Save your work  
Customize packs by adding notes and uploading your own content, or bookmark your favorite packs for quick access.
- Sign in from anywhere  
With a personal account you don't need to be at your institution to gain access to LaunchPacks and any other Britannica subscriptions.
- It's totally free  
Personal accounts come free with your instruction's subscription.

Already have an account? Sign in.

Fill out the form with the requested information. Select Student or Educator at the bottom, then click on "Create Account." Now you are ready to collect and customize any of the LaunchPacks!

My LaunchPacks

Sort packs by: Most Recent

Only Custom Packs

Sort LaunchPacks alphabetically or chronologically.

Once you are logged into your account, click "My LaunchPacks" to access the LaunchPacks that you have customized or saved.

Custom Pack	Custom Pack	Custom Pack	Custom Pack	Custom Pack
Theodore Roosevelt	Marie Curie	World War II	The Middle Ages: The Crusades	The U.S. Constitution
This pack contains: 4 Articles 6 Images 1 Video 2 Primary Sources	This pack contains: 4 Articles 6 Images	This pack contains: 5 Articles 3 Images 1 Video 1 Primary Source 1 Document	This pack contains: 6 Articles 5 Images 2 Videos	This pack contains: 3 Articles 3 Images 1 Primary Source 1 Document
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