



Social Studies Guided Tour



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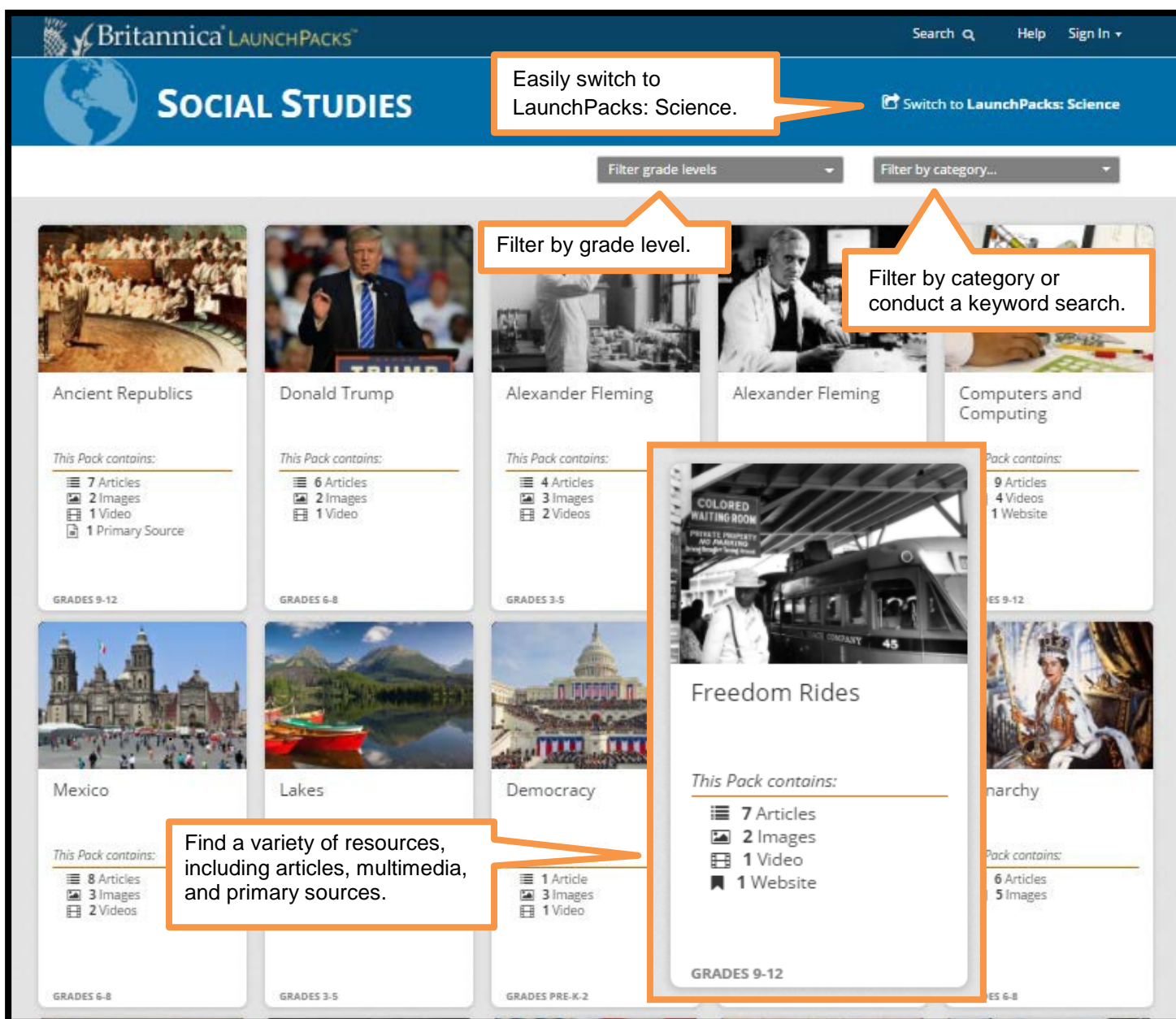
8AM to 5PM CST, Monday through Friday



Welcome to Britannica LaunchPacks: Social Studies



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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 curriculum. One convenient interface streamlines searching among 2,000+ 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 shows the Britannica LaunchPacks: Social Studies website. The interface includes a top navigation bar with the Britannica logo, a search bar, and links for Help and Sign In. A prominent blue banner displays "SOCIAL STUDIES" with a globe icon. Below this, there are filters for "Filter grade levels" and "Filter by category...". A "Switch to LaunchPacks: Science" button is also visible. The main content area displays a grid of LaunchPacks, each with a title, a representative image, and a list of contents (articles, images, videos, primary sources). The grid includes packs for "Ancient Republics", "Donald Trump", "Alexander Fleming", "Computers and Computing", "Mexico", "Lakes", "Democracy", and "Freedom Rides". Callouts highlight key features: "Easily switch to LaunchPacks: Science." points to the top navigation; "Filter by grade level." points to the grade level filter; "Filter by category or conduct a keyword search." points to the category filter and search bar; and "Find a variety of resources, including articles, multimedia, and primary sources." points to the content list of a specific LaunchPack.

Britannica LAUNCHPACKS™

Search  Help Sign In 

SOCIAL STUDIES

Easily switch to LaunchPacks: Science. 

Filter grade levels  Filter by category... 

Filter by grade level.

Filter by category or conduct a keyword search.

Ancient Republics

This Pack contains:

- 7 Articles
- 2 Images
- 1 Video
- 1 Primary Source

GRADES 9-12

Donald Trump

This Pack contains:

- 6 Articles
- 2 Images
- 1 Video

GRADES 6-8

Alexander Fleming

This Pack contains:

- 4 Articles
- 3 Images
- 2 Videos

GRADES 3-5

Alexander Fleming

This Pack contains:

- 9 Articles
- 4 Videos
- 1 Website

ES 9-12

Computers and Computing

This Pack contains:

- 7 Articles
- 2 Images
- 1 Video
- 1 Website

GRADES 9-12

Mexico

This Pack contains:

- 8 Articles
- 3 Images
- 2 Videos

GRADES 6-8

Lakes

This Pack contains:

- 1 Article
- 3 Images
- 1 Video

GRADES 3-5

Democracy

This Pack contains:

- 6 Articles
- 5 Images

ES 6-8

Freedom Rides

This Pack contains:

- 7 Articles
- 2 Images
- 1 Video
- 1 Website

GRADES 9-12

Find a variety of resources, including articles, multimedia, and primary sources.

Inside LaunchPacks

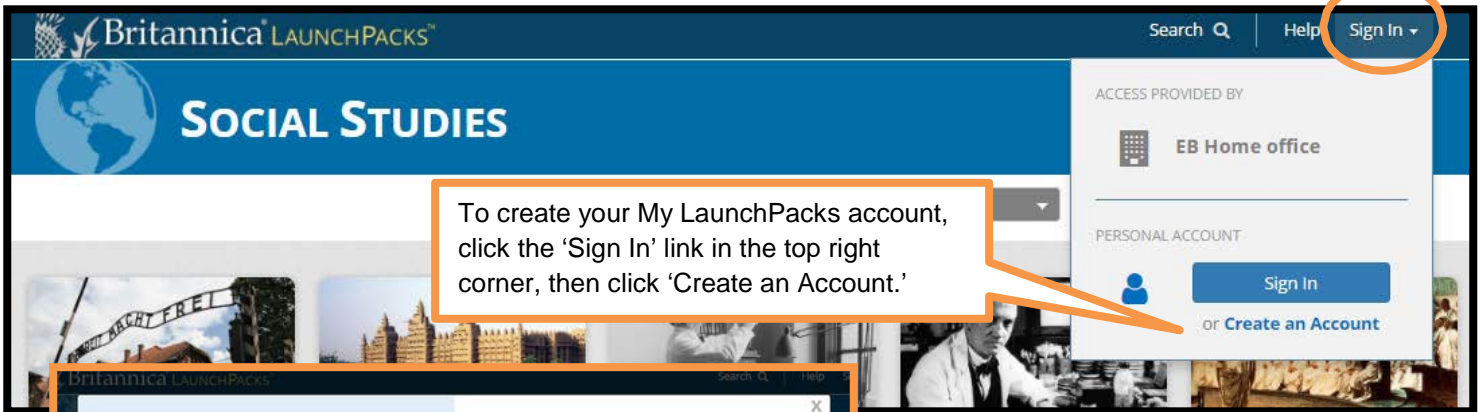
The screenshot displays the Britannica LaunchPacks interface for "The American Revolution". The header includes the Britannica logo, the title "The American Revolution", and the grade levels "GRADES 3-5". A callout points to the grade levels, stating: "Change the grade level materials within each LaunchPack." Below the header, there are filters for "Filter by: All", "Favorite", "Customize", and "Share". The main content area shows various media types: "ARTICLE", "IMAGE", "PRIMARY SOURCE", and "VIDEO".

Callouts highlight specific features:

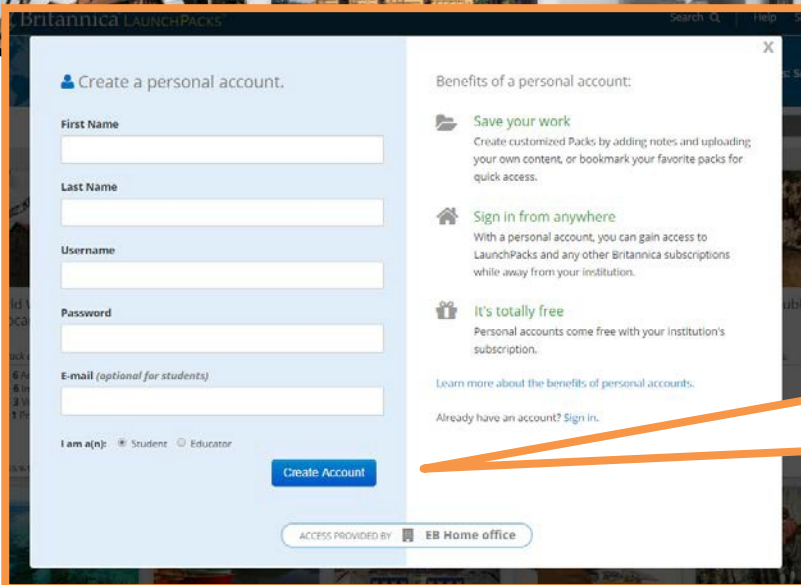
- Adjust the reading level of any article.** This callout points to the "Article Reading Level" indicator, which shows three levels (1, 2, 3) with level 1 selected.
- Share LaunchPacks by sharing link or by e-mail.** This callout points to the "Share" button in the top right corner.

A modal window titled "Copy the link to this LaunchPack" is open, showing the URL <http://eb.com/83293> and a "Copy Link" button. Below this, there is a section for "Send an e-mail with a link to this LaunchPack" with fields for "To" (E-mail), "From" (Name), and "E-mail", along with "Cancel" and "Send" buttons.

Create My LaunchPacks



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

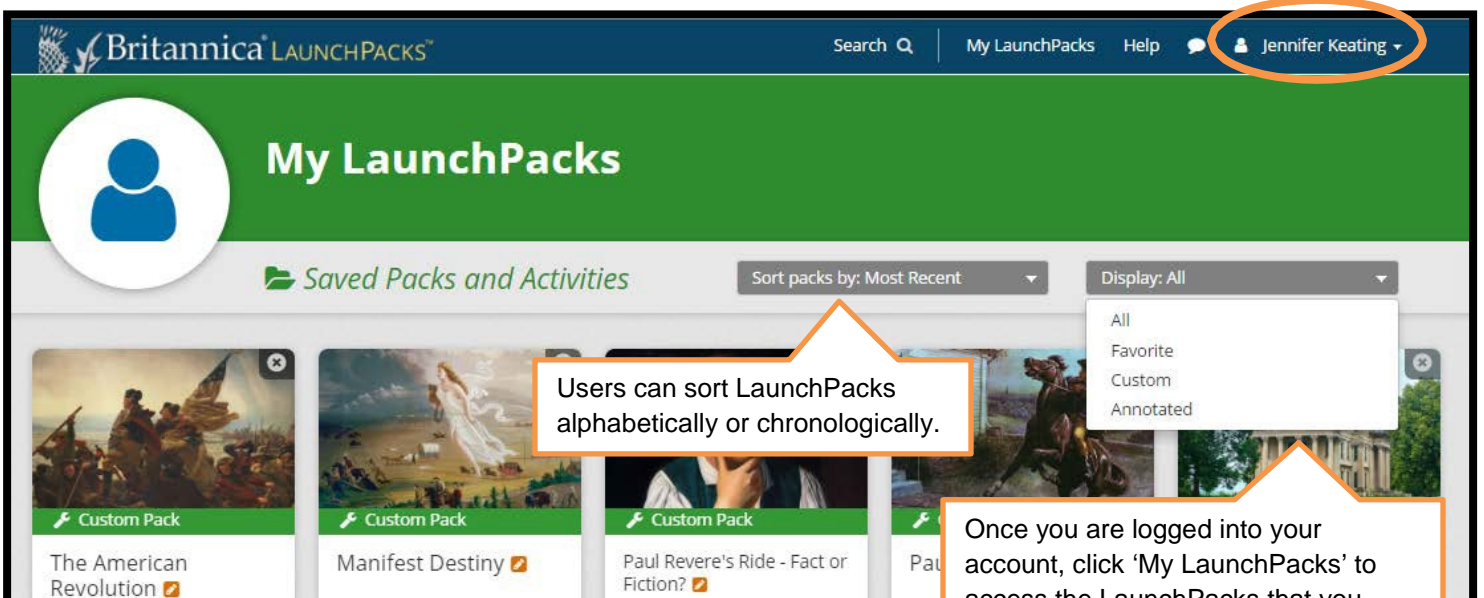


Benefits of a personal account:

- Save your work**
Create customized 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 can gain access to LaunchPacks and any other Britannica subscriptions while away from your institution.
- It's totally free**
Personal accounts come free with your institution's subscription.

Learn more about the benefits of personal accounts.
Already have an account? Sign in.

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



My LaunchPacks

Sorted by: Most Recent

Display: All

- All
- Favorite
- Custom
- Annotated

Users can 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.

Customize LaunchPacks

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Search | My LaunchPacks | Help | Jennifer Keating

The American Revolution

GRADES 3-5 | See this Pack for GRADES 6-8 or GRADES 9-12

Filter by: All

☆ Favorite | 📅 Schedule | ⚙️ Customize | 📧 Share

Users can customize each LaunchPack. (Users must be logged into their personal LaunchPack account to customize LaunchPacks.)

Click on the star in the header to 'favorite' a LaunchPack to return to later.

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The American Revolution

GRADES 3-5

Customize Pack Contents

🔄 Discard Changes | ✓ Save Changes

Jennifer Keating's Note:

Remove Note

Add Custom Content

📄 Upload a Document

🔗 Add an External Link

Remove any resources that you don't need.

Save or Discard changes you make to your LaunchPack.

Add notes for each component of your LaunchPack.

Customize your LaunchPack by uploading your own documents or

ARTICLE

American Revolution

The American Revolution was the war in which Great Britain's 13 American colonies won their independence. The colonies became a new country, the United States. The revolution...

Add a note

Article Reading Level 1 2 3

IMAGE

Pitcher, Molly

A drawing shows the heroine Molly Pitcher. She is said to have helped the colonial troops during the American Revolution. According to one story, in the Battle of Monmouth she stepped in after...

Add a note

Annotate LaunchPacks

Users can annotate Britannica articles for questions, vocabulary, evidence / argument building, and a variety of other purposes. Simply highlight the text you want to annotate, and select the annotation style from the drop-down menu on the right. Users can also add in comments, delete annotations, and download the annotated article. Check out the image below for more details!

The screenshot shows the Britannica LAUNCHPACKS interface. At the top, there's a search bar and user information for Jennifer Keating. Below the header, a toggle switch is set to 'ANNOTATE (4)'. A callout points to this toggle, stating: "Switch toggle from 'Read' to 'Annotate.'". To the right of the toggle, there's a download icon with a callout: "Click here to download the annotated article to your device." The main article title is "American Revolution" with 4 annotations. The introduction text is highlighted in yellow and purple. A callout points to the highlighted text: "Each annotation is color coded, making it easy to quickly find what you are looking for fast." On the right side, there's a list of annotations with color-coded circles: Vocabulary (pink), Question (yellow), and Evidence (purple).

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Search | My LaunchPacks | Help | Jennifer Keating

← Back to The American Revolution Pack

READ ☐ ANNOTATE (4)

Annotation Tools | All Categories (4)

American Revolution

4 annotations

Alternate titles: American Revolutionary War, United States War of Independence, 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 segment of its North American colonies that was caused by British attempts to assert greater control over colonial affairs after having long adhered to a policy of salutary neglect. Until early in 1778 the conflict was a civil war within the 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

What does "insurrection" mean?

Vocabulary

How long did the American Revolution last?

Question

The colonies did not fight alone. Who helped them?

Evidence

Each annotation is color coded, making it easy to quickly find what you are looking for fast.

The screenshot shows the Britannica LAUNCHPACKS interface. At the top, there's a search bar and user information for Jennifer Keating. Below the header, a toggle switch is set to 'ANNOTATE (5)'. A callout points to this toggle, stating: "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." The main article title is "American Revolution" with 5 annotations. The introduction text is highlighted in yellow and purple. A callout points to the highlighted text: "Find the color coded annotations on the right side of the screen." On the right side, there's a list of annotations with color-coded circles: Vocabulary (pink), Question (yellow), and Evidence (purple).

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Search | My LaunchPacks | Help | Jennifer Keating

← Back to The American Revolution Pack

READ ☐ ANNOTATE (5)

American Revolution

5 annotations

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

What does "insurrection" mean?

Vocabulary

How long did the American Revolution last?

Question

The colonies did not fight alone. Who helped them?

Evidence

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.

Find the color coded annotations on the right side of the screen.

Schedule LaunchPacks

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Search | My LaunchPacks | Help | Jennifer Keating

The American Revolution

GRADES 3-5 | See this Pack for GRADES 6-8 or GRADES 9-12

Users can schedule their LaunchPacks! Start by clicking on the 'Schedule' icon in each LaunchPack to start.

Schedule | Customize | Share

Document: Treaty of Paris -

Schedule

ADD TO SCHEDULE (DRAG & DROP)

The American Revolution
GRADES 3-5

EDIT SCHEDULE

View your full schedule to make changes.

Today

June 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
		6	7			

Want to remind yourself to use a specific LaunchPack at a later date? Simply drag and drop the LaunchPack onto the date that you want, and later you'll be reminded about the LaunchPack.

This Pack was added to June 1, 2017.

We'll send you a reminder, but you can visit your Schedule to make changes or to see what's coming up.

Continue browsing

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The American Revolution

GRADES 3-5 | Custom Pack created by Jennifer Keating

Filter by: All

NOTIFICATIONS

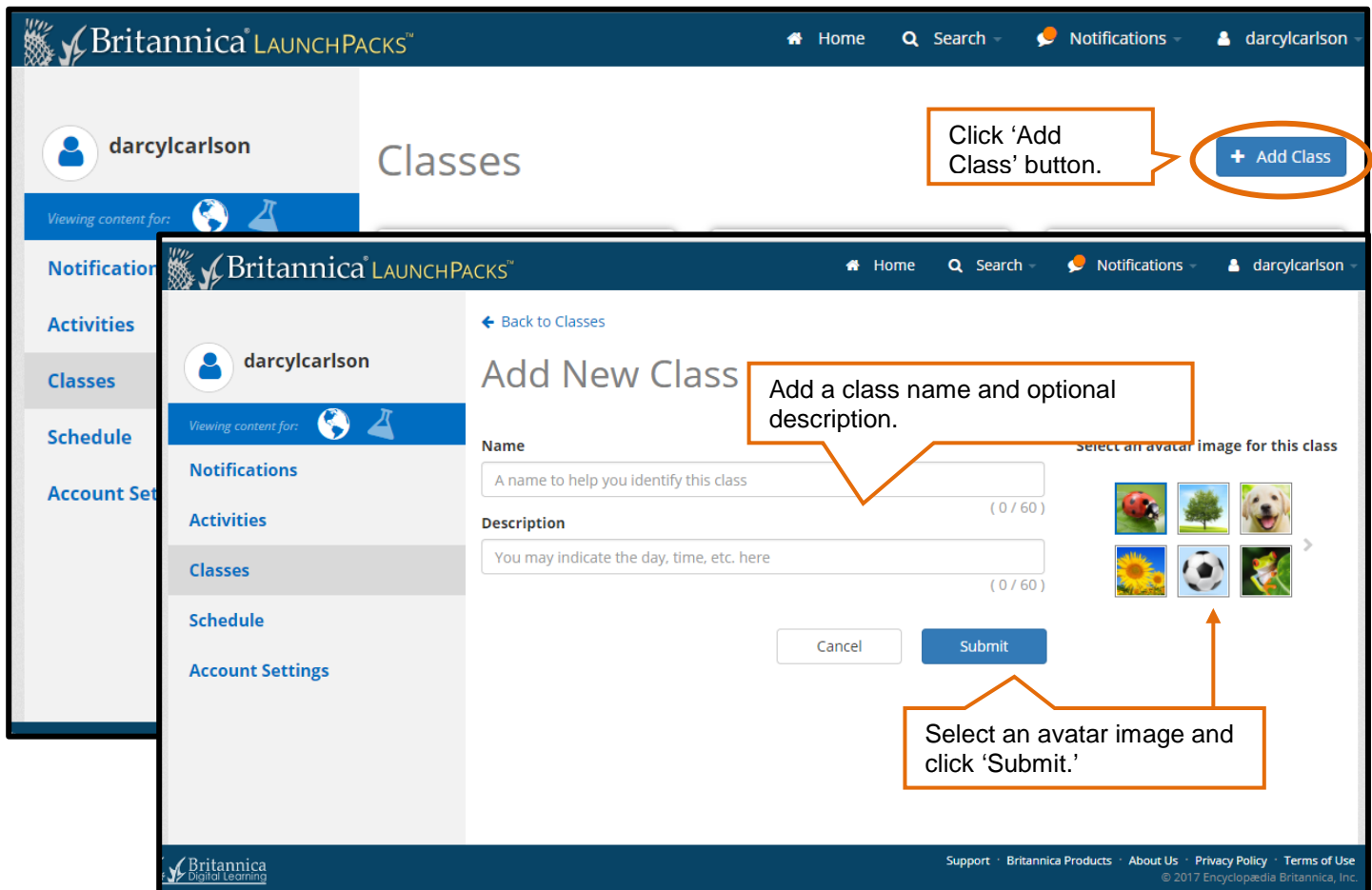
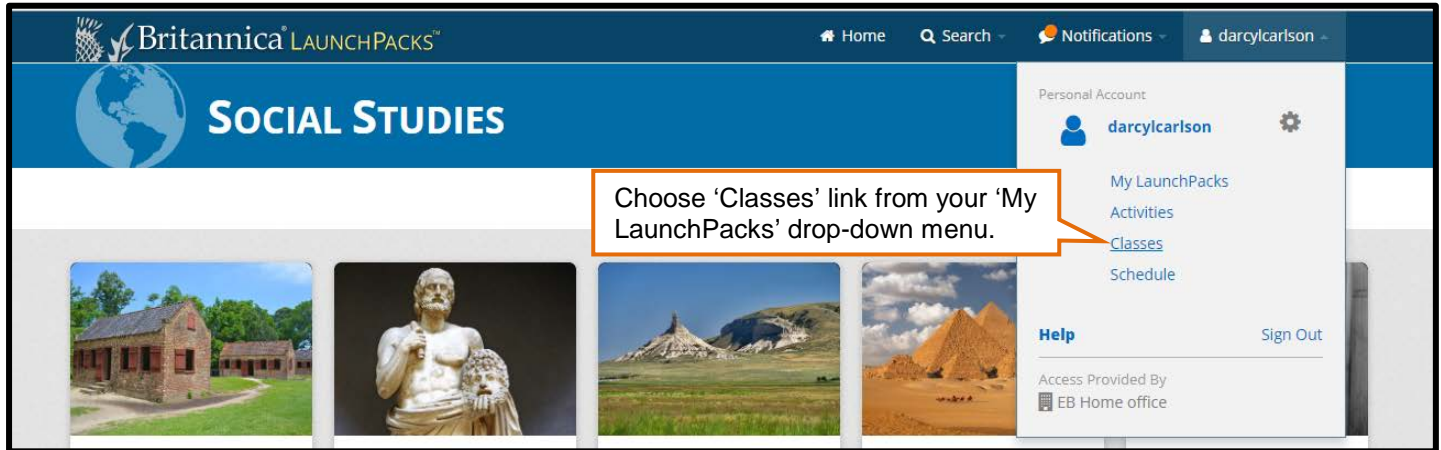
- May 11 - Scheduled: Paul Revere
- April 18 - Scheduled: Paul Revere's Ride - Fact or Fiction?
- April 17 - Scheduled: Paul Revere's Ride - Fact or Fiction?

Recent Notifications | Schedule

Educator Tools

With an educator My LaunchPacks account, teachers can create classes and invite students to join. Teachers can quickly assign a pack to their class or have students interact with resources to answer open-ended questions in a custom Activity Pack.

Add Classes



Invite Students to Join a Class

There are three ways to invite students to join a class. In order to join your class, students will need to create a personal account.

Option #3: E-mail an invite to Students.

Option #1: Share class code with students.

Option #2: Share direct link with students.

The screenshot shows the user 'darcylcarlson' in the 'Economics' class (9th Period). The 'Invite Students to Join a Class' screen offers three methods: 'Share Directly with Students', 'E-mail an Invite to Students', and 'Share a direct link'. The 'Share Directly with Students' option shows a class code 'GKBDXH' and a 'Copy Code' button. The 'Share a direct link' option shows a URL 'https://packs.eb.com/social-studies/joi' and a 'Copy Link' button. The 'E-mail an Invite to Students' option is highlighted with a callout.

Quick Assign a Pack

Click 'Quick Assign' in any pack.

Choose to rename the activity, edit or provide instructions, select a due date and classroom. Next, click 'Assign.'

The screenshot shows the 'Quick Activity Assignment' dialog box. It has fields for 'Name' (Pollution - Quick Activity), 'Instructions' (Review all resources in this Pack by the listed due date.), 'Start Date' (12/12/2017), 'Due Date' (to), and 'Classroom' (Select classroom). There are 'Cancel' and 'Assign' buttons. The 'Quick Assign' button is circled in the background. The background also shows a 'water pollution' article with a reading level of 2.

Create an Activity Pack

Have students interact with resources to answer open-ended questions in a custom Activity Pack. Optional things you can do to further customize an Activity Pack include:

- Asking a prior knowledge question to activate and assess students' existing knowledge base.
- Editing any of the pre-written questions to meet your specific objectives.
- Customizing contents: upload document files of your own, add external links, or remove individual content items from your Activity Pack.

The screenshot shows the top of the Britannica LAUNCHPACKS interface. The header includes the Britannica logo, 'LAUNCHPACKS™', and navigation links for Home, Search, Notifications, and a user profile (darcylcarlson). Below the header, a large blue banner features a circular image of an astronaut and the title 'Space Exploration' in white. Underneath the title, it says 'GRADES 6-8 | See this Pack for GRADES 3-5'. A 'Filter by: All' dropdown menu is visible. On the right side of the banner, a callout box points to a 'Create Activity' button in the navigation bar, with the text 'Click 'Create Activity' in any pack.'

Starter Activities are differentiated, ready to use sets of instruction and questions designed to foster specific skills such as reading comprehension, making predictions, and understanding perspectives.

This block contains two screenshots of the 'Starter Activities' section. The first screenshot (labeled 1) shows a list of activity categories: Main Idea, Making Predictions, Identify and Define, Compare and Contrast, Understanding Perspectives, and KWLQ. A callout box points to this list with the text 'Choose a skill from the list.' The second screenshot (labeled 2) shows the 'Compare and Contrast' activity page. It includes a list of questions and a callout box pointing to an 'Add Entire Activity' button with the text 'Add Entire Activity or add individual questions.' Another callout box points to a filter dropdown with the text 'Find questions suitable for different grade bands.'

Questions by Category offer individual questions targeting skill building in areas like critical thinking, inquiry, vocabulary, and reflection. Use them as add-ons or mix and match to make an activity.

This block contains two screenshots of the 'Questions by Category' section. The first screenshot (labeled 1) shows a list of categories: Critical Thinking, Vocabulary, Inquiry, Reflection, Comprehension, Making Connections, and Custom Question. A callout box points to this list with the text 'Click on a category.' The second screenshot (labeled 2) shows the 'Inquiry' category page. It lists several questions, each with an 'Add' button. A callout box points to one of these buttons with the text 'Click 'Add' add individual questions.'

This screenshot shows the 'Activity Builder' interface. It includes sections for 'Student Instructions', 'Prior Knowledge', and 'Questions'. A callout box points to the 'Questions' section with the text 'Review and edit questions.' At the bottom, there is an 'Add a Custom Question' button. A callout box points to this button with the text 'Add a custom question.' Below the button are 'Save and Review' and 'Cancel Activity' buttons. At the very bottom, there is a 'Preview Student Activity Pack' button. A callout box points to this button with the text 'Preview student view.'

Review Student Progress

Click 'Activities' from your personal account drop-down menu.

Personal Account
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 My LaunchPacks
Activities
 Classes
 Schedule
 Help
 Sign Out
 Access Provided By
 EB Home office

Activity Pack

The Middle Ages: Civilizations of China

DUE Nov 21, 2017 DAYS LEFT 0

STUDENT PROGRESS

Review Progress

Back to Activities

The Middle Ages: Civilizations of China

View Activity Pack

Student Responses

By Question By Student

Student Submissions: In Progress Responses as of: 12/18/2017, 10:59:40 AM

Filter by: Filter by: All Expand All

1 What do you already know about the Civilizations of China in the Middle Ages?

2 Choose two resources to compare. Which two resources will you use?

3 Closely examine the two resources you picked. Find two to three details in them that illustrate how these resources are similar to each other. Describe these similarities.

4 Now review the resources again. Find two to three details in them that illustrate how these resources are different from one another. Describe these differences.

5 Are these two resources more alike or more different? Why?

6 Is there a third resource in the Pack that could be compared to the first two? Which resource is it?

7 Reflect on the process of comparing and contrasting. Did you learn

What do you already know about the Civilizations of China in the Middle Ages?

Mark as reviewed for all questions

Fozzie Bear Not Started (no response)

Kermit the Frog In Progress Not much!

Miss Piggy Not Started (no response)