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**The American Journey** McGraw-Hill

Education

A superb new graphic memoir in which an inspired artist/storyteller reveals the road that brought his family to where they are today: Vietnamera GB Tran is

a young Vietnamese American artist who grew up distant from (and largely indifferent to) his family's history. Born and raised in South Carolina as a son of immigrants, he knew that his parents had fled Vietnam during the fall of Saigon. But even as they struggled to adapt to life in America, they preferred to forget the past—and to focus on their children's future. It was only in his late twenties that GB began to learn their extraordinary story. When his last surviving grandparents die within months of each other, GB visits Vietnam for the first time and begins to learn the tragic history of his family, and of the homeland they left behind. In this family saga played out in the shadow of history, GB uncovers the root of his father's remoteness and why his mother had

remained in an often fractious marriage; why his grandfather had abandoned his own family to fight for the Viet Cong; why his grandmother had had an affair with a French soldier. GB learns that his parents had taken harrowing flight from Saigon during the final hours of the war not because they thought America was better but because they were afraid of what would happen if they stayed. They entered America—a foreign land they couldn't even imagine—where family connections dissolved and shared history was lost within a span of a single generation. In telling his family's story, GB finds his own place in this saga of hardship and heroism. Vietnamera is a visually stunning portrait of survival, escape, and reinvention—and of the gift of the American immigrants' dream,

passed on to their children. Vietnameraica is an unforgettable story of family revelation and reconnection—and a new graphic-memoir classic.

*American Dirt (Oprah's Book Club)* Good Press

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### **The American Journey** Penguin

These 29 eyewitness accounts provide a unique entrance into the diversity of American society. Diaries and letters are the most reliable of firsthand sources, more so than memoirs that are long removed from the fresh experience of the past.

### **American Notes** CreateSpace

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may come packaged with the bound book. Frames American history through personal and collective journeys Offering a blend of political and social histories, The American Journey shows that our attempt to live up to our American ideals is an ongoing journey—one that has become increasingly more inclusive of different groups and ideas. With a goal of making American history accessible, the authors offer a strong, clear narrative and provide students with the tools they need to understand history. MyHistoryLab is an integral part of the Goldfield program. Key learning applications include assessment, MyHistoryLab Video Series, and History Explorer. A better teaching and learning experience This program will provide a better teaching and learning

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**The American Journey** Prentice Hall  
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for special features inside. Join the  
Random House Reader's Circle for  
author chats and more. In boyhood,  
Louis Zamperini was an incorrigible  
delinquent. As a teenager, he channeled  
his defiance into running, discovering a  
prodigious talent that had carried him to  
the Berlin Olympics. But when World War  
II began, the athlete became an airman,  
embarking on a journey that led to a  
doomed flight on a May afternoon in  
1943. When his Army Air Forces bomber  
crashed into the Pacific Ocean, against  
all odds, Zamperini survived, adrift on a  
foundering life raft. Ahead of Zamperini  
lay thousands of miles of open ocean,

leaping sharks, thirst and starvation, enemy aircraft, and, beyond, a trial even greater. Driven to the limits of endurance, Zamperini would answer desperation with ingenuity; suffering with hope, resolve, and humor; brutality with rebellion. His fate, whether triumph or tragedy, would be suspended on the fraying wire of his will. Appearing in paperback for the first time—with twenty arresting new photos and an extensive Q&A with the author—Unbroken is an unforgettable testament to the resilience of the human mind, body, and spirit, brought vividly to life by Seabiscuit author Laura Hillenbrand. Hailed as the top nonfiction book of the year by Time magazine • Winner of the Los Angeles Times Book Prize for biography and the Indies Choice Adult Nonfiction Book of

the Year award “Extraordinarily moving . . . a powerfully drawn survival epic.”—The Wall Street Journal “[A] one-in-a-billion story . . . designed to wrench from self-respecting critics all the blurbly adjectives we normally try to avoid: It is amazing, unforgettable, gripping, harrowing, chilling, and inspiring.”—New York “Staggering . . . mesmerizing . . . Hillenbrand’s writing is so ferociously cinematic, the events she describes so incredible, you don’t dare take your eyes off the page.”—People “A meticulous, soaring and beautifully written account of an extraordinary life.”—The Washington Post “Ambitious and powerful . . . a startling narrative and an inspirational book.”—The New York Times Book Review “Magnificent . . . incredible . . . [Hillenbrand] has crafted

another masterful blend of sports, history and overcoming terrific odds; this is biography taken to the nth degree, a chronicle of a remarkable life lived through extraordinary times.”—The Dallas Morning News “An astonishing testament to the superhuman power of tenacity.”—Entertainment Weekly “A tale of triumph and redemption . . . astonishingly detailed.”—O: The Oprah Magazine “[A] masterfully told true story . . . nothing less than a marvel.”—Washingtonian “[Hillenbrand tells this] story with cool elegance but at a thrilling sprinter’s pace.”—Time “Hillenbrand [is] one of our best writers of narrative history. You don’t have to be a sports fan or a war-history buff to devour this book—you just have to love great storytelling.”—Rebecca Skloot,

author of *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks*

### **Travels with Charley in Search of America** Idreambooks

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need to understand history.

**The American Journey** Prentice Hall  
The teaching and learning classroom edition of *The American Journey* offers an exciting new approach for learning history. Its highly visual presentation, unique and focused pedagogical support, and inquiry-based approach will engage and inspire your students' appreciation of our nation's past. With the T.L.C. Edition you will love the way your students are motivated to read and enjoy history. And, with the most extensive teaching package available, you will be able to maximize your class preparation and teaching time. *The American Journey, T.L.C. Edition* will help your students make sense of what is important in their study of history, understand the significance of events in

shaping American history, and appreciate the profound place history holds in their lives. - Back cover.

*The Oregon Trail* McGraw-Hill Education Grande puts a human face on the epic story about those who make it across the border into America, those who never make it across, and those who are left behind.

**Enrique's Journey** Pearson Higher Ed  
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The American Journey Prentice Hall The American Journey Reconstruction to the Present is the last half of The American Journey and begins in 1864 (Unit 6). There is a two chapter review Prologue from pre-exploration to Reconstruction. The Declaration of Independence, The United States Constitution, and the Citizenship Handbook are also included. Paired with The American Republic to 1877, the two books create a seamless two-year scope and sequence for middle school. Its

unparalleled author team, including the National Geographic, ensures accuracy in every detail of the narrative, maps, and charts. Features Accessible Reading and Reading Strategies Are a Priority Exclusive! Foldables student-made three-dimensional graphic organizers are a unique strategy that helps students read effectively and also can be used as assessment or study tools. A Guide to Reading, Reading Checks, and a Summary in every chapter keep students on track as they learn to read for information and process what they ve read. The extensive use of graphics, maps, and photography creates a visual/verbal approach that appeals to all your students. Relevance is Part of Every Lesson TIME Notebooks allow students to step into the past, learning

about everyday life in various periods and the hot topics of different eras. What Life Was Like and Hands-On History fully engage students in learning and give them an understanding of parallels between earlier generations and their own. National Geographic Brings its Unequaled Expertise to Every Page Colorful, easy-to-read maps help students understand the where and why of history. Geography and History features show students how geography and events intertwine to create the history of a location or nation. Continual Practice in Social Studies Skills The program emphasizes skill development from reading maps to analyzing primary and secondary sources to exploring the connections between history and geography, economics, government,

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**The American Journey, Reading Essentials and Note-Taking Guide, Student Workbook** Ballantine Group

The #1 New York Times bestseller From Vice President Kamala Harris, one of America's most inspiring political leaders, a book about the core truths that unite us, and the long struggle to discern what those truths are and how best to act upon them, in her own life

and across the life of our country "A life story that genuinely entrances." —Los Angeles Times Vice President Kamala Harris's commitment to speaking truth is informed by her upbringing. The daughter of immigrants, she was raised in an Oakland, California community that cared deeply about social justice; her parents--an esteemed economist from Jamaica and an admired cancer researcher from India--met as activists in the civil rights movement when they were graduate students at Berkeley. Growing up, Harris herself never hid her passion for justice, and when she became a prosecutor out of law school, a deputy district attorney, she quickly established herself as one of the most innovative change agents in American law enforcement. She progressed rapidly

to become the elected District Attorney for San Francisco, and then the chief law enforcement officer of the state of California as a whole. Known for bringing a voice to the voiceless, she took on the big banks during the foreclosure crisis, winning a historic settlement for California's working families. Her hallmarks were applying a holistic, data-driven approach to many of California's thorniest issues, always eschewing stale "tough on crime" rhetoric as presenting a series of false choices. Neither "tough" nor "soft" but smart on crime became her mantra. Being smart means learning the truths that can make us better as a community, and supporting those truths with all our might. That has been the pole star that guided Harris to a transformational career as the top law

enforcement official in California, and it is guiding her now as a transformational United States Senator, grappling with an array of complex issues that affect her state, our country, and the world, from health care and the new economy to immigration, national security, the opioid crisis, and accelerating inequality. By reckoning with the big challenges we face together, drawing on the hard-won wisdom and insight from her own career and the work of those who have most inspired her, Kamala Harris offers in *THE TRUTHS WE HOLD* a master class in problem solving, in crisis management, and leadership in challenging times. Through the arc of her own life, on into the great work of our day, she communicates a vision of shared struggle, shared purpose, and shared

values. In a book rich in many home truths, not least is that a relatively small number of people work very hard to convince a great many of us that we have less in common than we actually do, but it falls to us to look past them and get on with the good work of living our common truth. When we do, our shared effort will continue to sustain us and this great nation, now and in the years to come.

**The American Journey** Simon and Schuster

*The American Journey*, a cornerstone series for the U.S. History market, successfully blends the coverage of political and social histories of our great nation throughout the series. With this focus, the authors show that our attempt to live up to our American ideals is an

ongoing journey. This journey, while still a work in progress, is increasingly more inclusive of different groups and ideas. The path that led the authors to *The American Journey* began in the classroom with their students. The goal of this text is to make American history accessible to students. The key to that goal--the core of the book--is a strong, clear narrative and a positive theme of *The American Journey*. American history is a compelling story that the authors tell in an engaging, forthright way, while providing students with tools to help them absorb that story and put it into context. This text combines political and social history, to fit the experience of particular groups into the broader perspective of the American past, to give voice to minor and major players alike,

because the history of America is in the stories of its people.

**The American Journey  
Reconstruction to the Present,  
Student Edition** Penguin

An intimate journey across America, as told by one of its most beloved writers A Penguin Classic In September 1960, John Steinbeck embarked on a journey across America. He felt that he might have lost touch with the country, with its speech, the smell of its grass and trees, its color and quality of light, the pulse of its people. To reassure himself, he set out on a voyage of rediscovery of the American identity, accompanied by a distinguished French poodle named Charley; and riding in a three-quarter-ton pickup truck named Rocinante. His course took him through almost forty

states: northward from Long Island to Maine; through the Midwest to Chicago; onward by way of Minnesota, North Dakota, Montana (with which he fell in love), and Idaho to Seattle, south to San Francisco and his birthplace, Salinas; eastward through the Mojave, New Mexico, Arizona, to the vast hospitality of Texas, to New Orleans and a shocking drama of desegregation; finally, on the last leg, through Alabama, Virginia, Pennsylvania, and New Jersey to New York. *Travels with Charley in Search of America* is an intimate look at one of America's most beloved writers in the later years of his life—a self-portrait of a man who never wrote an explicit autobiography. Written during a time of upheaval and racial tension in the South—which Steinbeck witnessed

firsthand—*Travels with Charley* is a stunning evocation of America on the eve of a tumultuous decade. This Penguin Classics edition includes an introduction by Jay Parini. For more than seventy years, Penguin has been the leading publisher of classic literature in the English-speaking world. With more than 1,700 titles, Penguin Classics represents a global bookshelf of the best works throughout history and across genres and disciplines. Readers trust the series to provide authoritative texts enhanced by introductions and notes by distinguished scholars and contemporary authors, as well as up-to-date translations by award-winning translators.

*The American Journey, Student Edition*  
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**The American Journey** Wiley-Blackwell  
The American Journey: Building a Nation is co-authored by the National Geographic Society and offers a unique blend of scholarship and compelling imagery. The hands-on learning approach used throughout the program helps students see the relevance of history as they discover the context and connections between historical events. The program offers in-depth coverage of America's past to 1914. A visual epilogue then brings students up to date.

### Across a Hundred Mountains

Glencoe/McGraw-Hill School Publishing Company

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*Vietnamerica* Pearson College Division  
*The Oregon Trail* by Rinker Buck |  
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