

# WEB SITES OF THE WEEK

## AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL

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### **NIFTY FIFTY STATES**

<http://www.kn.att.com/wired/fil/pages/listthe50sj.html>

A teacher-made hotlist – goldmine for 5<sup>th</sup> grade!

### **SMITHSONIAN MUSEUMS**

<http://www.si.edu/>

What's not to love?

### **NATIONAL PARK SERVICE: LINKS TO THE PAST: A CULTURAL HISTORY**

<http://www.cr.nps.gov/index.htm>

An interesting twist to examining our history. From discussing parks & monuments, to preservation and archaeology. Makes you think outside the box and gives new perspectives.

### **BEN'SGUIDE TO U.S. GOVERNMENT**

<http://bensguide.gpo.gov/k-2/index.html>

Especially for younger students – US symbols, learn the states, etc.

### **THE LIBRARY OF CONGRESS – AMERICAN MEMORY**

<http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/index.html>

If you've never seen this amazing resource, you are missing something good! An abundance of primary source material – authentic images that will inspire students to write, and anyone to wonder about life in America's past.

### **AMERICA'S STORY**

<http://www.americaslibrary.gov/cgi-bin/page.cgi>

Colorful and creative. Primary sources, amazing Americans, Explore the states, baseball as a pastime, and more.

### **PBS: THE AMERICAN EXPERIENCE: THE PRESIDENTS**

<http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/amex/presidents/>

Thorough bios.

### **PBS: LIBERTY! THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION**

<http://www.pbs.org/ktca/liberty/>

Documented info on the Revolution – upper grades