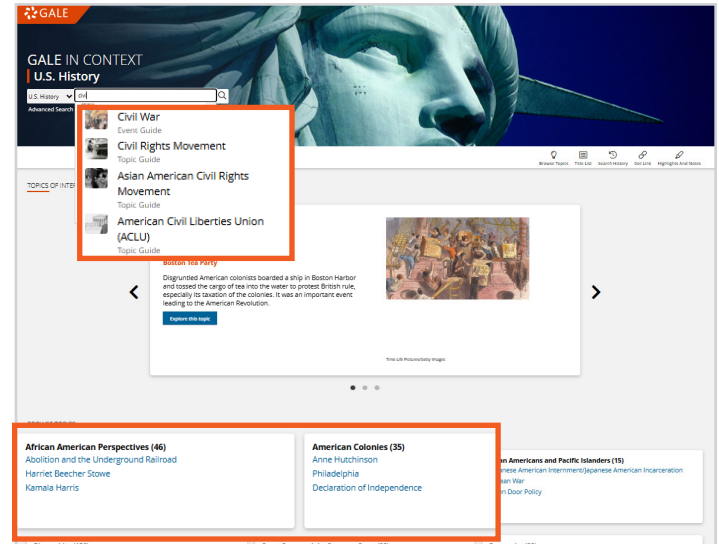


NATIONAL HISTORY DAY 2025: Find Your Topic

Your *Gale In Context* resources help you find and narrow down topics of interest to make your research simple and efficient. Use the steps below to find a topic for your project while answering the questions included.

STEP ONE: FIND A TOPIC GUIDE

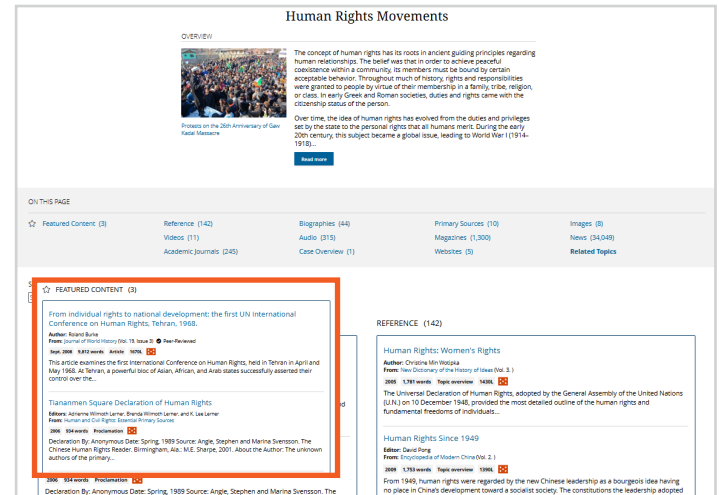
- Sign in to your *Gale In Context* resource to access the homepage.
- While on the homepage, click one of the topics listed towards the bottom of the page, or use the Basic Search bar to search for a topic of interest.
- If you use the Basic Search, choose one of the drop down options that have images attached.



STEP TWO: FIND RELATED MATERIALS

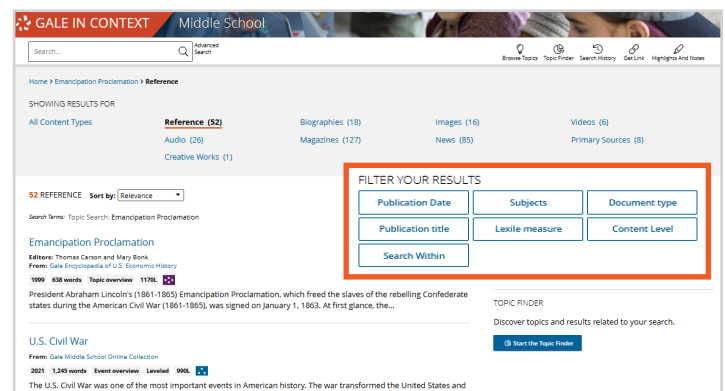
Click into one of the Content Types on our Topic Guide (like Reference, News, or Primary Source).

- Click into a few materials to gain a better understanding of your topic and the rights and responsibilities related to it.



STEP THREE: USE FILTERS

- While looking at materials, use the filters on the right side of the screen to narrow down your results even further.
- Filtering by Subject is a good way to find information about the rights you want to highlight.



NATIONAL HISTORY DAY 2025: Map Out Your Research Topic

1

What are the expectations for this project? What do you need to do to be successful?

2

Your topic:

3

What about this topic caught your attention?

4

What is your research question?

5

How does this topic relate to the theme of “Rights and Responsibilities”?

6

Keywords to use in your research:

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Utilize this section to conduct your research. As a reminder, the Topic Guide you found within *Gale In Context* is a good place to start. Use the different types of content to enhance your research and make your project more interesting.

Your topic:

Time period:

Brainstorm a list of events, people, and issues that come to mind related to your topic. You will use this list to drive your research.

Conditions Leading Up to Your Topic

Research each area below and record your findings to help set the stage and assist someone in understanding your topic.

Political	
Economic	
Social/Cultural	
Religious	
Other (intellectual, artistic, military, etc.)	

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Basics <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Who• What• When• Where• Why• How	
Important People <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Leaders• Decision Makers• Dissidents• Victims• Heroes	
Rights <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Be specific- what right was being fought for?• Why was/is this right needed?• Was there more than one right related to your topic?	

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Responsibilities <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Who was responsible for managing the right(s) mentioned previously?• Who is responsible now?	
Perspectives <ul style="list-style-type: none">• What were the different sides of your topic?• How have opinions and views of your topic changed over time?	
Effects <ul style="list-style-type: none">• How did your topic impact the world?• What impacts are we still feeling today?• Are there negative impacts?	
Why does this matter? <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use this as a wrap up.• Why should we care about your topics and the related rights and responsibilities?	