User Guide
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GENERAL FEATURES

● Available at no cost to all teachers and students
● Aligned to Georgia Standards of Excellence (GSE) for 8th grade social studies
● Utilizes GPB Digital Media innovation and technology with engaging videos, 360° tours, slideshows, interactive maps, primary source documents, and other dynamic features that encourage learning through visual, audio, tactile, and kinetic tools
● Contains 30+ embedded virtual field trips to help students explore places like Warm Springs, New Echota, Andersonville, Etowah Indian Mounds, and more
● Teacher edition includes class discussion prompts, printable documents, graphic organizers, instructional strategies, quizzes, document-based learning, constructed-response questions, and technology links
 USAGE AND OUTREACH
2016-17 SCHOOL YEAR

● Student edition accessed 370,000 times via web (529% increase from last school year)
● More than 3,800 educators registered for the Georgia Studies digital textbook teacher edition.
● 427 professional development visits completed by GPB’s Education Outreach Specialists
● 2,358 educators received face-to-face training.
● Embedded in the Learning Management Systems of 13 districts across Georgia

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GETTING STARTED

No password is required for student access to the textbook. Simply go to www.gpb.org/ga-studies. Feel free to embed the student edition link on your class webpage. If you are interested in adding our textbook to your district Learning Management System, please contact us at education@gpb.org.

Teachers must register for the teacher edition. After filling in the form, you will receive a unique user ID and password. Consult our login guide at www.gpb.org/ga-studies/help for instructions on how to register and use each device and platform, including web, iOS, and Android.

Our digital textbook operates on ALL devices.
Remember that as an interactive tool, our Georgia Studies digital textbook will invite you to interact with it. Keep an eye out for icons leading to embedded digital resources.
EMBEDDED RESOURCES

You will find a wealth of supplemental resources embedded within the pages of our digital textbook, including relevant episodes from GPB’s award-winning video series to slide shows, 360º tours, and interactive graphics.

Look for the icons on each page that indicate additional resources literally at your fingertips.
NAVIGATION
GET FAMILIAR

After registering and logging in, it is time to follow the arrows and get to know the features available in our enhanced digital textbook. Your “library” contains all 10 units. Each will open individually.
OTHER WAYS TO NAVIGATE

A scroll bar with thumbnails of every page is now available on both the iPad and web versions of the textbook.

Choosing a thumbnail from this view will jump you to the associated page.

As in the previous version, the table of contents is the quickest way to jump to a particular section within the textbook.

From here, you can choose a specific chapter or special content page, such as Primary Source, Georgians in History, or Skill Activity.

Choose a title from the Table of Contents to quickly advance to that section.
TAKE THE SHORTCUT

Quick links are embedded throughout the pages of the digital textbook. Look for underlined subject headings on the Timeline, Chapter Foreword, and At a Glance pages that will advance you immediately to those sections.

The teacher tabs also contain bold, underlined page number links. A return arrow in the upper left-hand corner or your destination page will take you back to your starting point.

Click embedded links to move ahead in a chapter.
FEATURES
LOOK CLOSER

Having trouble reading the small print? Use the plus sign icon at the top of the tools menu to enlarge each page to just the right size. Return your view to a smaller size with the minus sign icon below.

SEEK AND FIND

Global search enables users to locate every occurrence of a particular term throughout all ten units.

To find any term – such as a name, place, or date – simply type the word in the global search bar on the home page, and you will be presented with a list of its every occurrence throughout all 10 units and all 32 virtual field trips. You can also try a more localized search within each unit. Choose any result to be forwarded to the associated page.
MAKE A NOTE OF IT

Featured only in the teacher edition, the new note-taking feature allows users to make notes on a specific page using the lower text bubble icon.

The upper text bubble icon accesses a compilation of the notes in a unit, enabling users to read all notes at once and jump to those specific pages with notations. Notes are saved on each user’s individual device.
The new bookmarking feature allows teachers to mark a specific page in the book for future reference.

The lower bookmark icon is for selecting a page, and the upper icon is for accessing a complete list of all bookmarked pages.
Address delivered at the dedication of Cemetery at Gettysburg.

Four score and seven years ago our fathers brought forth on this continent, a new nation, conceived in liberty, and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal.

Now we are engaged in a great civil war, testing whether that nation, or any nation so conceived and so dedicated, can long endure. We are met on a great battle-field of that war. We have come to dedicate a portion of that field, as a final resting place for those who here gave their lives that it might not perish but have eternal life.
WHAT’S INCLUDED?

In addition to the original textbook material and supplementary digital content added since its launch in 2012, this latest release features even more resources.

Included are new videos, slide shows, audio files, interactive maps and graphics, 360° tours, and direct links to GPB’s associated virtual field trips.
Each of the 30 chapters of the textbook begins with a foreword that includes a summary of the digital content and teacher tools found throughout that chapter.

In the Textbook Highlights section, teachers can see a list of videos, maps, images, primary sources, and follow links directly to the page location of each resource.
The Teacher Resources section contains links to supportive printables, including Assessment Guides, Tasks, Enrichment Resources, Document-Based Questions, Constructive-Response Questions, and Selected-Response Questions.

The Glossary icon reveals a PDF of all the terms embedded in the text for use as a vocabulary review tool or study guide.

Technology Links provide sources of additional information for supplementary material and further independent study.
TEACHER TABS

Teacher resources are now available via blue teacher tabs, appearing at the bottom or right side of each page of the teacher edition textbook. When the tabs are closed, the teacher view of the textbook mirrors the student view. Click to open and the tabs will cover the associated page of the textbook with relevant talking points, links to connected pages or printables, activity and enrichment ideas, and embedded document-based questions.

Answer keys are also available for any questions that appear on a text page. Click the key icon in the upper right-hand corner to pull up the answer key view. Click an individual question for the corresponding answer to appear. Open the teacher tabs for talking points and other supportive information, including answer keys.

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NEED ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE?

We hope these usage tips will help launch you into an immediate, comfortable working relationship with our new digital textbook. Remember that our education outreach team is standing by to provide free, onsite professional learning at your school or district!

Contact education outreach specialists Mike Kuenlen (mkuenlen@gpb.org) for south Georgia and Tracey Wiley (twiley@gpb.org) for the north to schedule a free training at your convenience.