

# GEORGIA STUDIES digital textbook

The Georgia Studies digital textbook tells the story of Georgia—its history, culture, and geography. This updated version is presented digitally with interactive capabilities and multimedia enhancements. It contains embedded quizzes, a note-taking function, and discussion prompts. This creative, cutting-edge platform is a breakthrough resource that will change the way students and teachers experience Georgia history.

Here are the answers to some Frequently Asked Questions about the book:

#### How do I access the textbook?

First, you will need to <u>sign up</u> for a username and password on the GPB website. After submitting your request, we will send you an email with a teacher username and password and a separate username and password for your students to use. Please allow up to **3 business days** to receive this information. We individually verify each teacher's credentials. Once you recieve your username and password, you will be able to access both the web and IPad versions of the book.



To access the **web version**, go to **www.gpb.org/GAtextbook**. You will see icons for the 10 units of study. When you click on a unit, the textbook will launch in a new window. You will be prompted to enter your teacher username and password to continue.



To access the **iPad version**, download the free GPB app from the **iTunes app store**. You will need the GPB app to download units of the textbook after you have received your login information. Once you have downloaded units, use the library tab on the app to view all downloaded units.

# Why do I have a different username and password from my students?

It is important that you do not share the teacher username and password with students. A teacher's edition is coming soon and you will not want students to have access to that content.

# I have not received my username and password. How long does it take?

The GPB Education team is working hard to protect the safety of our users by personally validating each account. As a result, receiving your username and password can take up to 3 business days. If you have not recieved your login information after 3 business days, email <a href="mailto:education@gpb.org">education@gpb.org</a>.

## Is the book aligned to the Georgia Performance Standards?

Yes. The textbook is aligned to the GPS standards for eighth grade social studies.

#### Is the textbook free?

Yes. The Georgia Studies digital textbook is completely free to Georgia's teachers and students.

If the GPB app is free, why is iTunes asking for a form of payment? iTunes requires all accounts to have a valid form of payment to download all apps. This includes free ones as well.



#### Is there a version available for Android users?

We are working on version for Android but it is not available yet. For now, you can use the web version of the book on Android devices.

#### Does the iPad version of the textbook also work on iPhones?

No. You will not be able to download the GPB app from the iTunes store on an iPhone. The app is only for use on iPad.

#### Is there a teacher's edition?

We are in the process of creating a teacher's edition that should be available soon. You will be able to access the teacher's edition content with your teacher username and password. That is why it is important that you do not share your username and password with students. You will recieve a separate (generic) username and password for students to use.

# How do my students access the textbook?

You will recieve a generic username and password for students to use to login. The student username and password will work for both the web version and the iPad version of the book.

## Do you offer professional development on the digital textbook?

Yes. You can request professional development for your school or district by emailing **education@gpb.org**.

# Why do I have to update the iPad version of the digital textbook?

Updates to the textbook may include additional, new, and/ or updated content, graphics, videos and more. We're receiving valuable feedback from teachers and students across Georgia and are working diligently to implement your suggestions and requests.

#### Do I have to be signed in to the app to view the textbook?

No. However, you do have to sign in to the app in order to download or update units. Once they are downloaded, use the Library tab on the app to view all downloaded units. When units are downloaded, you can view them without being connected to the internet.

# Do I have to download the units to my iPad in order to view them?

Yes. Units must be downloaded to your device before viewing. Once you have downloaded a unit on your iPad, you do not need an internet connection to view the most of the content. The only features that do not function without an internet connection are the videos.

#### Are there any accessibility features?

Yes. We have a Kindle version of the book that has a text-to-speech feature. To access, make sure you have downloaded the Kindle app to your

device. Click on this link to access the Kindle version, which will open in your Kindle by default. Follow the prompts to login and access the book with your amazon.com login.

# What if I am having difficulty accessing any version of the digital textbook?

If you have trouble accessing the book, email <a href="mailto:education@gpb.org">education@gpb.org</a> and someone will be in touch to help you troubleshoot.

