



An American Tapestry: The Story of 'Freedom for All' through Music and Art

Residency and Symphony Concert

Quick Guide Grades 1-5

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Music and art turn the pages of American history for students and teachers. It begins with freedom: students feel the call of fife and drum and *march* into an understanding of the American Revolutionary War. They *sail* into the adventure of crossing oceans to learn of immigrants who risked everything for freedom and who helped to form this great land.

Students continue their journey of America by learning of people who, with their freedom, *wrote* their best life stories. Students learn the dates, events, and personalities that have shaped their country, The United States of America. Particularly during this election year, students learn of the responsibility of each citizen to keep America true to her word that '*All people are created equal*'.

History is a subject about people who dared to live their lives courageously. It illuminates their triumphs, their shortcomings, and the unknown consequences of their actions.

We can learn how to better write our own *life* stories by knowing theirs.

Figures for Very Young Citizens-Grades 1-2

George Washington: Commander in Chief; First President

Johnny Appleseed: Adventurer and model of a person writing their life story

Bobby Fife: A young boy who came to American for freedom

Important Figures for Young Citizens-Grades 3-5

Henry Knox: Chief of Artillery for George Washington

William Bartram: Early conservationist

Andrew Jackson: Important General in Florida history; Seventh President

Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings: Pulitzer Prize winner for '*The Yearling*'

Norman Rockwell: Great American illustrator

Henry Flagler: Built an 'impossible' railroad and opened the door to FL



Who

George Washington

Henry Knox

Johnny Appleseed

William Bartram

Andrew Jackson

Henry Flagler

Marjorie K Rawlings

13 Colonies/States

British

Ulster-Scots

New Learnings:

Fifes

Penny Whistles

Instruments of Symphony

Conductor

Conservationist

Illustrator

New Understandings:

Civic Responsibility

Archetype of hero

Freedom

Collaboration

Diversity

Life Applications:

How we treat one another

Appreciating our differences

The strength of Diversity

FL: 14th and 15th British colonies

FL: Land of many people

Beginning in 1765 with the Stamp Act, some people in the 13 British colonies of North America became angry with their British King. They became even angrier in 1770 after the Boston Massacre in which some colonists were killed by British Soldiers. A group of colonists in Boston called the Sons of Liberty spread talk of independence and freedom. They staged a Tea Party in Boston Harbor to protest British laws. By 1775 colonists were ready to stand up for their rights. When British General Gage ordered British troops to march out of Boston to capture ammunition stored by the Patriots, a single shot changed the course of history. Through the Declaration of Independence in 1776, a new country was fighting for its life. They were *fighting* for freedom, for a place where all people would know they were created equal and common ordinary people would govern themselves.

Character Traits that created the United States and Florida



❖ Courage to explore

❖ Tenacity to persevere hardships for beliefs



❖ Dedication to preserving natural beauty



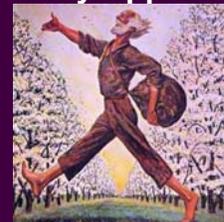
❖ Willingness to risk failure



Declaration of Independence

We hold these truths to be self evident. That all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

Johnny Appleseed



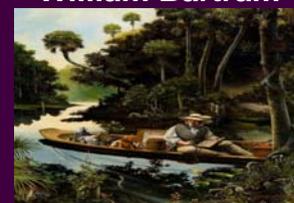
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William Bartram



School Residency and
Culminating Experience
with
Symphony Orchestra

Music of:
Jeremy Ribando
Robert Kerr
Aaron Copland
George Tsontakis

Art:
Jackson Walker
Norman Rockwell