

## EDEL 335 Elementary School Social Studies Library and Information Resources

### Searching for Books and Audiovisuals

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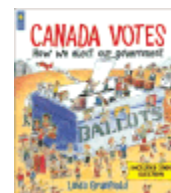
In the Library's catalogue (go to [www.mhc.ab.ca/library](http://www.mhc.ab.ca/library) and select **Books and Audiovisuals**), do a **Basic Keyword** search for **social studies** combined with the following words and phrases:

- teaching
- elementary
- primary
- literature

For example, **social studies elementary**

### Looking for materials on a topic within the Curriculum Collection?

Select **Basic Keyword** and type a word or phrase describing your topic (for example, **government**). Use the **Location** drop down menu and select **Med. Hat Curriculum Collection**. Click **Search**.



### Looking for picture books or novels on a topic?

Do a **Subject Heading** search using a word or phrase to describe your topic followed by the word 'fiction' (for example, **family fiction**). Most children's fiction is located in PZ 7-PZ 8; some is located in the Curriculum collection. This search strategy also works in the Shortgrass (public library) catalogue. Ask at the Information Desk for help.



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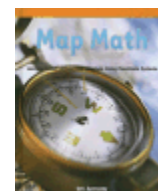
### Library Resources to Know About

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The titles listed below are followed by a Dewey Decimal number and located in the Library's Curriculum collection.

#### Atlases for Children

*My World: An Elementary Atlas* (Oversize 912 Joh)  
*Beginner's Classroom Atlas of Canada and the World* (912.71 Beg)  
*Scholastic Canada Atlas of the World* (912 Ste)  
*Historical Atlas of the World* (911.09 Ran)



## Maps and Map Reading

*Understanding and Making Maps: An Introduction* [videorecording] (912 Und)  
*Map Math: Learning About Latitude and Longitude Using Coordinate Systems* (912 Zur)  
*Teaching Map and Globe Skills, K-6: A Teacher's Handbook* (912.014 Sto Gr.1-6)

## Flags, Arms, and Other Official Symbols of Canada and Alberta

*Alberta* (917.123 For)  
*Our Canadian Flag* (929.920971 Tro)  
*Our Song: The Story of "O Canada"*

- See the *All About Canadian Symbols* series for individual books written for elementary students on the official flags, arms, birds, flowers, etc. of Canada. To locate these books, do a **Basic Keyword** search in the Library's catalogue for **Canadian symbols**.

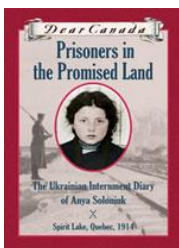


## Social Studies Through Literature

*Social Studies Through Literature: A Teaching Resource for the Early Grades* by Amy Von Heyking (372.83 Von)

- Do a **Title** search in the Library's catalogue to locate the 14 picture books discussed in this guide.

*Teaching With **Dear Canada**: Build Important Social Studies and Language Skills With Historical Fiction* by Amy Von Heyking (971 Von)



- This set of 13 historical novels for upper elementary grades includes a three-volume teacher's guide (all located in the Curriculum collection at 971).

## Social Studies Series Authorized for use in Alberta Schools

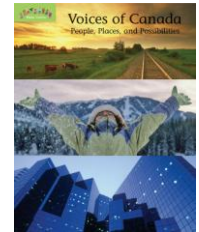
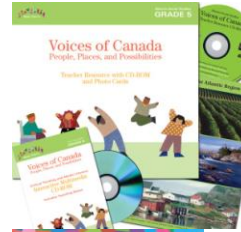
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### Many Voices

Grades K-3 (300.7 Man)

Grade 4 – *Voices of Alberta* (971.23 Voi Gr.4)

Grade 5 – *Voices of Canada* (971 Voi Gr.5)

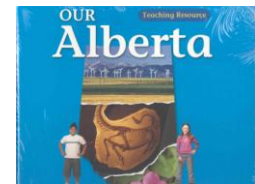
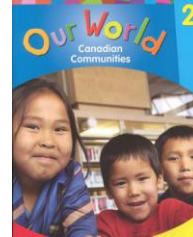


### Our World

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Grade 4 - *Our Alberta* (971.23 Tye Gr.4)

Grade 5 - *Our Land and People* (971 Our Gr.5)



### Grade 6 (old curriculum)

*Government Matters* (320.471 Bur) Volume 1-student text; Volume 2-teacher's guide

*Teaching About Local Government in Alberta* (320.8 Tea)

*Teaching About Local Government: School Boards* (379.1531 Tea)

*Greece: Discovering the Past* (938 Pa) Volume 1-student text; Volume 2-teacher's guide

*China* (951 Bon) Volume 1-student text; Volume 2-teacher's guide

*China: Our Pacific Neighbour* (951 Eva) Volume 1-student text; Volume 2-teacher's guide

### Websites

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*Alberta Education: K-12: Curriculum: Social Studies* (includes Programs of Study and Teaching and Learning Resources)

[http://www.education.gov.ab.ca/k\\_12/curriculum/bySubject/social/default.asp#program](http://www.education.gov.ab.ca/k_12/curriculum/bySubject/social/default.asp#program)

*Authorized Resources Database*

<http://www.education.gov.ab.ca/lrdb/default.asp>

- Use this database to find out about textbooks and other materials authorized for use in Alberta schools. Search by subject and grade level.
- Materials are described as **Basic** ('resources which address the *majority* of the outcomes outlined in the program of studies'), **Support** ('resources which address *some* of the outcomes outlined in the program of studies'), or **Teacher** ('resources intended for teachers, often in the form of guides').

*Learning Resources Centre (LRC) Catalogue*

[http://www.lrc.education.gov.ab.ca/pro/cat/cat\\_english.htm](http://www.lrc.education.gov.ab.ca/pro/cat/cat_english.htm)

- Materials authorized for use in Alberta schools can be ordered through the LRC. Each catalogue (primary, elementary, and so on) is organized by grade and subject.
- Print copies are located in the Curriculum collection (015.7123 Lea)

*Online Guide to Implementation*

<http://www.onlineguide.learnalberta.ca/default.aspx?lang=en-US&formID=2&navID=1>

- Alberta Education support for implementing the new Program of Studies for Social Studies.

*The Alberta Teachers Association: Social Studies Council* (see especially Resources and Links)

<http://ssc.teachers.ab.ca/>

*LearnAlberta.ca*

<http://www.learnalberta.ca/>

- Quality online resources that support the Alberta K-12 curriculum. Username and password required.

*United Streaming Video*

<http://unitedstreaming.com>

- Digital videos and video clips are available for MHC Education students and instructors *only*. Downloadable from any computer with Internet access, these clips can be incorporated into Power Point presentations or used as is in any classroom. Stop by the Library's Information Desk if you forget the username and password.

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