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LeniD: Welcome! Thank you for joining us. Our special guest, Kahlil Chism, and I have much to share. Here's the plan...

LeniD: We all know what a loaded topic civil rights is...and how critical it is that we build citizens with an understanding of cause, effect, implications, ramifications, cultural issues, economic issues, geographic information, political issues.

LeniD: We want our students to know what happened in the past, understand the viewpoint of the nation today, and begin to think seriously about how they can shape a nation with true equality for all? within their lifetime.

LeniD: One hundred years after the Civil War, America witnessed marches, sit-ins, boycotts, freedom rides, nonviolent resistance, and rallies.

LeniD: The nation's attention was focused on the inequities of racial segregation and discrimination against African Americans. Landmark actions - the Brown decision of 1954, the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Voting Rights Act of 1965 - resulted.

LeniD: What changes can we attribute to this era of activism? Has America achieved equal rights for all its citizens? Where are we today, and where do we go from here?

LeniD: OK...the stage is set...Michael...let us introduce ourselves

MichaelH: ok, Leni!

MichaelH: I'm Michael Hutchison, and I'm a technology facilitator in a small school district in southwestern Indiana

MichaelH looks to see who else would like to tell us who they are....

GailP: I'm a retired library media specialist - working now with the Library of Congress part-time - creating learning activities using primary sources...

JosephAb: I'm Joe Ableidinger. I'm a law and public policy student (not a teacher).

ChrisSm: I am Chris Smutzer. I am an English teacher in a rural community in SC.

BJ: I'm an art teacher in Pennsylvania

LeniD: I'm Leni Donlan, the project leader for the Learning Page, The Library of Congress.

KahlilC: I'm Kahlil Chism, an Education Specialist with the National Archives and Records Administration.

MonicaJN: I am Monica Nelson - mother of three teenagers - recently finished teaching degree - from Andover, MN

LeniD: How nice to see you all. Any more introductions?

JennifeGst6: I'm an education student

VennyS joined the room.

SteveL: I'm an instructor at Iowa State University and sorry but I have to leave to go conduct my class in Tapped In.

GailP: Welcome to you all!!!

SteveL left the room.

LeniD: Indeed!

LeniD: Here's the plan for this evening's chat...

LeniD: Let's begin our sharing with a review of some resources from the Library of Congress to help us teach about civil rights.

LeniD: Then I'm going to turn the "floor" over to Kahlil who will share resources from the National Archives and Records Administration.

LeniD: Feel free to speak up at any time. Are you ready?

MonicaJN: ready

KahlilC: Yes.

MichaelH is

ChrisSm: yes.

JosephAb: yup

JennifeGst6: yep

LeniD: Get comfortable and hold on tight...here we go!

GailP: let her rip....as the little boys I live with say...

LeniD: From the Library's Manuscript division:

LeniD: African American History and Culture

LeniD: <http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/mcchtml/afhfm.html>

LeniD: The Ballad of Booker T. has long been one of my favorites...

LeniD: how would you use this document with your students?

SarahMan: just in...catch me up class

LeniD: Hello Sarah...we have begun showing resources from the Library of Congress.

LeniD: I'm actually going to give you some time to poke around in this next site - The African-American Mosaic - take a look but check back soon!

LeniD: <http://www.loc.gov/exhibits/african/intro.html>

SarahMan: ok, so where do I need to go and thanks!

LeniD: Try the link I just shared, Folks...but come back soon!

MichaelH: Valerie, do you see the link Leni just posted?

ChrisSm: I can't get the link to pop up???

GailP: When you are exploring a site, double click on an image and it should enlarge for you...

BJ: Chris, do you have a pop up blocker?

MichaelH: Chris, click on the link, and it opens in a separate window...

ChrisSm: yes.

LeniD: Don't miss the collection, African American Odyssey!

LeniD: <http://lcweb2.loc.gov/ammem/aahtml/>

LeniD: Thanks, BJ, The Amazing.

LeniD: Or this new, and wonderful release:

LeniD: Voices from the Days of Slavery

LeniD: <http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/vfshtml/vfshome.html>

SarahMan: I am teaching WW II to my fifth graders on Monday...any suggestions on how to use the Exoduster movement website

LeniD: I can't help with that, Sarah. Sorry...we are concentrating on Civil Rights tonight.

KahlilC: I could spend days at your site. So many primary source docs...

GailP: Sarah - we have some great WWII resources....we'll try to help you later....

LeniD: Yep...it's very rich, Kahlil

LeniD: The Civil Rights exhibits is indeed one of the Library's American Treasures

LeniD: <http://www.loc.gov/exhibits/treasures/tr22a.html#civilrights>

LeniD: From The LOC.GOV Wise Guide:

LeniD: Rosa parks...

SarahMan: ok..I am really connecting with Black History month with Roll of Thunder Hear my Cry so any suggestions that can relate welcomed

LeniD: <http://www.loc.gov/wiseguide/dec03/sitting.html>

MonicaJN: it is incredible to see so many resources I never knew existed

LeniD: What an excellent book to share, Sarah.

LeniD: that's our mission, Monica...we will overwhelm you tonight...but you can explore all these links later, at your leisure.

SarahMan: we just started the sequel...a little above level but they love it!

VennyS: wait;) tooooo much. The webs are so great.

LeniD: Hang on Venny

LeniD: And from the Learning Page....

LeniD: From Slavery to Civil Rights...an interactive timeline and overview of African-American history in the United States.

LeniD: <http://memory.loc.gov/learn/features/civilrights>

LeniD: Let's look, too, at Lesson Plans from the Learning Page...

LeniD: For high school students:

ChrisSm: It is amazing how Rosa's single simplistic act led to such profound things....she dared to disturb the universe.

GailP: You could divide your class into groups and have them explore each of these time periods...

LeniD: After Reconstruction: Problems of African Americans in the South

LeniD: <http://memory.loc.gov/learn/lessons/rec/rteach.html>

LeniD: From Jim Crow to Linda Brown

LeniD: <http://memory.loc.gov/learn/lessons/97/crow/crowhome.html>

LeniD: Jackie Steals Home

LeniD: <http://memory.loc.gov/learn/lessons/98/robinson/intro.html>

LeniD: Ladies, Contraband and Spies

LeniD: <http://memory.loc.gov/learn/lessons/01/spies/index.html>

SarahMan: how awesome

LeniD: and for middle school to high school students:

SarahMan: we're studying Jackie Robinson in reading thank you!!!

LeniD: To Kill a Mockingbird

GailP: Sarah - you'll need lots of time to explore...

LeniD: <http://memory.loc.gov/learn/lessons/98/mock/intro.html>

MonicaJN: I took an African American history class last summer which took me on a journey from Africa to America today - and found myself quite enlightened - growing up a white Yankee from MN and all! Also took me on an emotional rollercoaster. We started with "Before the Mayflower" - excellent historical account on how slavery in America came to be. Good for high school

LeniD: Sounds excellent, Monica. Thanks for sharing!

GailP: Thanks for sharing that, Monica!

LeniD: For your students....

LeniD: An annotated draft decree regarding the 1954 Brown v. Board of Education Topeka landmark case.

LeniD: <http://www.loc.gov/exhibits/treasures/trr007.html>

KahlilC: Yes; Before the Mayflower is by Lerone Bennett.

LeniD: Thanks, Kahlil.

LeniD: and for the younger students...

LeniD: Jump Back in Time...

LeniD: Learn about Martin Luther King Jr...

LeniD: http://www.americaslibrary.gov/cgi-bin/page.cgi/jb/wwii/king_1

LeniD: Meet Amazing Americans like...

LeniD: Frederick Douglass

LeniD: <http://www.americaslibrary.gov/cgi-bin/page.cgi/aa/douglass>

LeniD: Harriet Tubman

LeniD: <http://www.americaslibrary.gov/cgi-bin/page.cgi/aa/tubman>

VennyS gives up to open all the webs.

LeniD: Langston Hughes

LeniD: <http://www.americaslibrary.gov/cgi-bin/page.cgi/aa/writers/hughes>

MichaelH reminds Venny there's a transcript coming with the links live

MonicaJN: love Langston!!

LeniD: Have no fear...we are but whetting your appetite

LeniD: So do I, Monica

LeniD: All of these links and MUCH more can be found on the Learning Page in the Civil Rights Community Center.

LeniD: Take time to visit...

LeniD: http://memory.loc.gov/learn/community/cc_civilrights.php

GailP: And each month we feature a different theme...

SarahMan: any great music sites?

GailP: Great idea for a theme, Sarah!

GailP: Yes, there are lots!

LeniD: We do have wonderful music collections, Sarah

ChrisSm: I am really interested in the music sites.

KahlilC: Don't think I have gone anywhere, guys. Just trying to catch some of the flurry of links that are falling around me.

LeniD: Before I turn the floor over to Kahlil to knock your socks off...are there questions?

LeniD: LOL...rapid fire is hard to follow.

KahlilC: Well, since you got our hearts racing I'll slow it down a pace

LeniD: OK..take a huge breath...because it's Kahlil's turn!

LeniD: Take it away, Kahlil!

MichelleT: Sounds great

KahlilC: I want to begin by taking you to the Our Documents site.

KahlilC: Hold on...

KahlilC: <http://www.ourdocuments.gov>

KahlilC: My cut and paste is not working. Forgive me.

LeniD: You are doing fine. Love the site!

KahlilC: Okay. Click on "100 Milestone Documents" in right side menu

SarahMan: Leni, are there any on line quizzes or games regarding these pages for young kids?

VennyS: Don't paste as fast as Leni

SarahMan: when you have time

LeniD: Sarah...America's Library and the Learning Page both have games and puzzles.

MichelleT: I can't wait to explore the site in great detail later

LeniD: Poor Kahlil is having problems.

LeniD: While I look for his links, Michael has volunteered to tap dance for you.

ChrisSm: yeah, it would take a good deal of time just reading some of the cool documents

MichelleT: Leni can you continue with what you are able to share

MichaelH: Hi, everyone....

BJ chuckles...Michael is an excellent dancer!

JosephAb: Note that they deliberately left off documents after 1965 - probably wise...

MichaelH: let's take a second and look at the OurDocuments site?

MichaelH: I was going to show the Missouri Compromise site

MichaelH: . o O (the actual document)

MichaelH: while we're waiting... would anyone like to consider why primary source material is so important in a classroom setting?

SarahMan: I want to make sure I'm not being in violation: can we print these pics or bios? to use in class? I hope this isn't a stupid question

ChrisSm: it shows students that history is real

GailP: Here is NARA's link to

GailP: <http://www.ourdocuments.gov/doc.php?flash=true&doc=87>

GailP: Brown v. BOE

ChrisSm: that the written word has power

ValerieM: the materials are real artifacts that's what the students need

MichaelH: absolutely, Chris...

DebraS: I appreciate that this site has both facsimiles and transcripts; students take the facsimiles so seriously, much more seriously than transcript alone

MichaelH: you could also say that primary sources make history "come alive"

MonicaJN: wow, this is all so amazing - had no idea all of this existed - students should learn about more black leaders during black history month than MLK

MichaelH: Sarah, I'll let Leni answer the copyright question...

SarahMan: thanks

MichaelH: Leni, did you see Sarah's question?

LeniD: May I share the remainder of Kahlil's links with you?

JenniferAH: Black history should be taught all year long, not just during black history month

MichelleT: yes

MichelleT: I agree

MonicaJN: true

SarahMan: there is a lot of bias that our children need to learn to grow up about

LeniD: Definitely, Jennifer.

LeniD: Documents Related to Brown v. Board of Education

LeniD:

http://www.archives.gov/digital_classroom/lessons/brown_v_board_documents/brown_v_board.html

LeniD: Frontiers in Civil Rights: The Dorothy Davis Case

LeniD: http://www.archives.gov/digital_classroom/lessons/davis_case/davis_case.html

MichaelH: Leni, can I check on something for a sec?

LeniD: Sure!

MichaelH: Sarah asked a question about use of images and documents...

VennyS: ohh, Leni shoots websites again.

MichaelH: if it is within copyright rules to do so in a classroom setting

LeniD: I'm shooting for Kahlil...who is out there in cyberspace

LeniD: Sorry. Yes, Sarah?

MichaelH: Sarah's asking about copyright...

LeniD: Aha! We are often asked that.

SarahMan: do I need to shred what I've printed?

MichaelH: if she can use images and words in a classroom setting...

MichelleT: Aren't most documents public documents

LeniD: Much of what is on our website is in "the public domain"...and almost everything on our website can be used with students in a classroom.

SarahMan: thank you...my kids will love the info on Jackie Robinson

LeniD: If you want to use documents of images for a web site or a for profit purpose, there are often other requirements.

GailP: I think I'm the resident librarian here tonight - each of the Library of Congress collections has its own "legalities" re copyright...

LeniD: Yeah!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

GailP: but Leni is right...most is in public domain...

LeniD: Librarian Gail to the rescue

SarahMan: good

MichelleT: Thanks Gail

GailP: and the "fair use" clause applies.

GailP: I'll find a link for you while Leni leads...

KahlilC: Speaking of copyright...98% of what we hold is in the public domain

LeniD: The material on the Learning Page is almost all in the public domain...since it was created by government employees for your use and has no copyright to speak of.

SarahMan: a multicultural link to Asian and African American history is "The Year the Boar and Jackie Robinson" story

SarahMan: thanks!

LeniD: The thing your students should remember is to attribute their sources, whether public domain or not

LeniD: Off my soap box.

MonicaJN: are we talking about civil rights or simply sharing infor?

GailP: this is a very basic copyright activity from Linda joseph...http://www.cyberbee.com/cb_copyright.swf

LeniD: Kahlil, we shared some of your sites in your absence.

LeniD: Monica...not sure I understand your question

MonicaJN: are we going to be discussing civil rights as an issue or simply sharing teaching information?

GailP: and here is the more detailed version

<http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/ndlpedu/start/cpyrt/index.html>

KahlilC: This is truly embarrassing.

MichaelH: Monica, the question was asked about copyright for the Civil Rights information Leni and Kahlil have been sharing with us, Leni and Gail were responding...

LeniD: Ahh...we were trying to share the resources many teachers don't know about, Monica. Time permitting we are willing to discuss the issues you wish to talk about, as well.

KahlilC: Leni or Gail, if one of you can be my second eyes, I'll talk while you direct?

LeniD: OK

MichaelH: is it this one?

MichaelH:

http://www.archives.gov/digital_classroom/lessons/brown_v_board_documents/teaching_activities.html

KahlilC: Go to archives.gov

LeniD:

http://www.archives.gov/digital_classroom/lessons/brown_v_board_documents/brown_v_board.html

JosephAb: or this one ("documents related to brown v. board")

JosephAb:

http://www.archives.gov/digital_classroom/lessons/davis_case/teaching_activities.html

SarahMan: thank you...I have lots to play with. Thanks ladies and gents...see some of you Tuesday!

KahlilC: then click on "digital classroom" (5th item from menu bottom)...

KahlilC: Under the 'Sections' menu, click "Teaching With Documents" ..

KahlilC: Once there, you will see the eras from Nat'l Hist Standards...

GailP: And here is the Davis case...

http://www.archives.gov/digital_classroom/lessons/davis_case/davis_case.html

KahlilC: Head down to "Documents Related to Brown v. Board"

GailP: and....

http://www.archives.gov/digital_classroom/lessons/civil_rights_act/civil_rights_act.html

KahlilC: As you guys look around be sure to scroll to the bottom

KahlilC: There are Document Analysis Worksheet, suggested teaching activites, etc.

GailP: Here is the first page of the Dissenting opinion...

http://www.archives.gov/digital_classroom/lessons/brown_v_board_documents/images/dissenting_opinion_01.gif

LeniD: These are terrific resources, Kahlil!

MelindaGst5: Unbelievable!

GailP: Agreed, Leni.....

MelindaGst5: There is an entire US history curriculum in there

JenniferAH: I'm so excited by all of this.

KahlilC: BTW: The Brown judgment will be on display at the Archives beginning April

GailP: And Eisenhower's letter...

http://www.archives.gov/digital_classroom/lessons/brown_v_board_documents/images/letter_1.gif

KahlilC: The essays accompanying the articles - many of them - appeared in the Teaching With Documents column of Social Education...

GailP: And the judgment...

http://www.archives.gov/digital_classroom/lessons/brown_v_board_documents/images/decision.jpg

KahlilC: The Frontiers in Civil Rights lesson works particularly well with younger students, because of the photographs

KahlilC: Using one of the Photograph Analysis Worksheets really helps younger students learn to mine an image for information

LeniD: We'll address the transcript questions in just a moment, folks.

GailP: Here is the link to all of the past transcripts...

<http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/ndlpedu/community/chat/chattranscripts.html>

KahlilC: A must visit is the Lyndon Johnson library

MichaelH perks up[

LeniD: <http://www.LBJlib.utexas.edu/johnson/LBJforkids/civil.htm>

KahlilC: <http://www.LBJlib.utexas.edu/johnson/LBJforkids/civil.htm>

GailP: Frontiers in Civil Rights is the Dorothy Davis case...

http://www.archives.gov/digital_classroom/lessons/davis_case/davis_case.html

KahlilC: Thanks, Leni.

LeniD: LOL! Beat you to it, Kahlil

MelindaGst5: Thanks!

KahlilC: At the LBJ site you should notice that there is audio

KahlilC: Students have to be reminded, occasionally, that sound and video recordings are also primary sources

LeniD: Definitely, Kahlil!

KahlilC: The interviews of Civil Rights era figures are wonderful to listen to

ChrisSm: teachers have to be reminded of that as well

LeniD: Right on, Chris

GailP: the Civil rights site didn't work for me...here's another link...

<http://www.LBJlib.utexas.edu/johnson/LBJforkids/civil.shtm>

KahlilC: And most of the 10 presidential libraries have education pages within their sites...

KahlilC: mainly for elementary age students

LeniD: Between the Library of Congress and the National Archives web sites, teachers are in primary source heaven...with ideas for teaching and materials to use to do so!

KahlilC: At the Kennedy Library, http://www.jfklibrary.org/student_resources.html , you'll find more

LeniD: Folks...our time together is just about over. Any questions for Kahlil?

KahlilC: In this instance, letters from many of the Big 6 (+ 1) civil rights leaders, to the White House

GailP: And we would all love to hear how we could help you even more with integrating our resources into your curricula....send us your thoughts....

MelindaGst5: Thanks!

JenniferAH: Thank you so much for all of the info

KahlilC: That, I can do

LeniD: A big round of applause for Kahlil and the excellent resources shared.

LeniD: Thanks so much!

MichelleT: Thanks

LeniD: Thank you for joining us... we hope you will come back again on March 18 when we will be discussing, "Her Story," (Women's History through primary sources from the Library of Congress).

KahlilC: Thanks for your patience.

DebraS: Thanks for the tip on the presidential libraries: new for me!

LoringV joined the room.

GailP: Kahlis - we were so glad you could join us...

MichelleT: Thank you for all the great resources

GailP: Kahlil...

MichaelH applauds everyone for a great session

KahlilC: Yes, Gail

LeniD: The transcript of this chat can be found on the Learning Page and on the Tapped in Web site.

LeniD: I'm going to leave you now...have another chat in the wings...

LeniD: Night all!

GailP: See you soon, Kahlil...

BJ: Thanks Leni, Gail and Kahlil

GailP: And thanks all for coming....

KahlilC: Thanks Leni, Gail, and all of you. Good night.

MichaelH waves good night to all