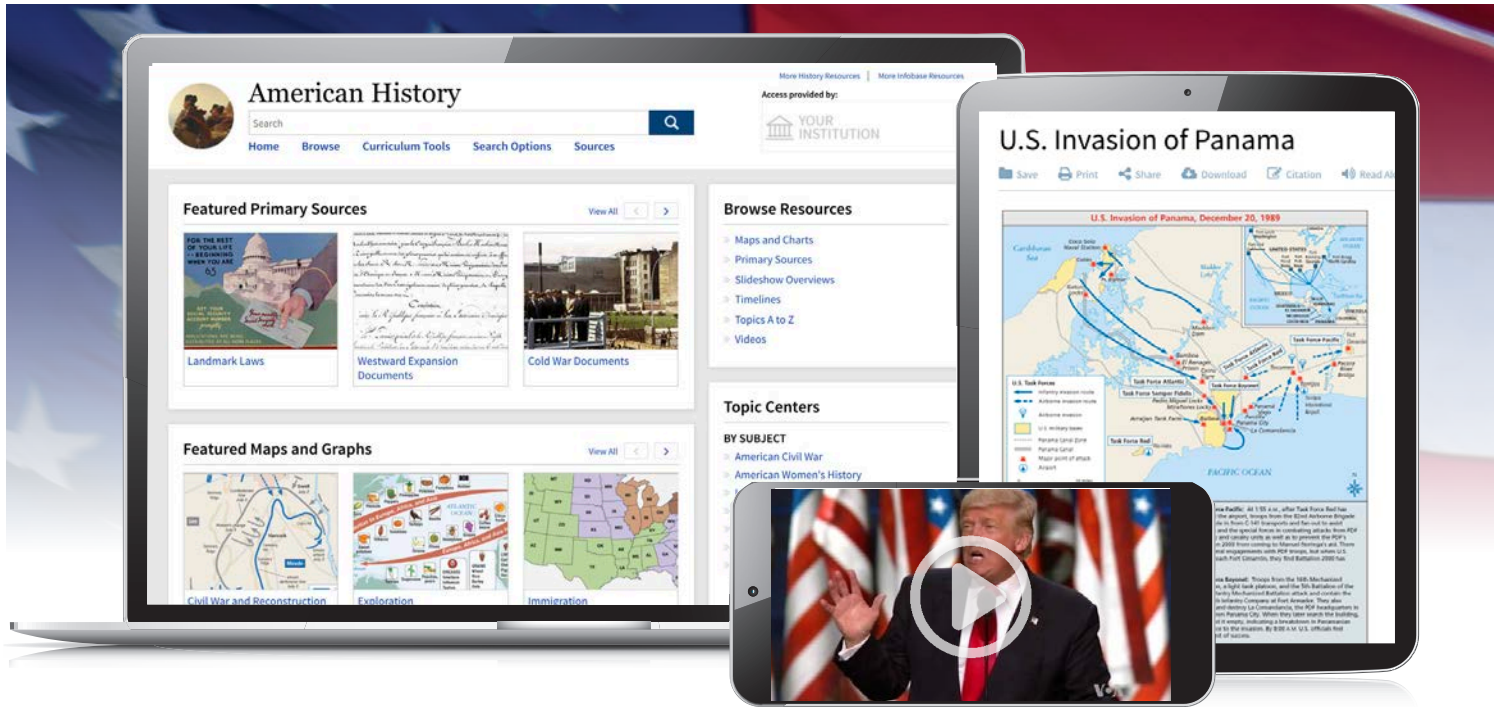


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Original Crew of Apollo 13
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First Four Female Supreme Court Justices
The first four women to serve on the Supreme Court of the United States pose together in the Justice's Conference Room, prior to Justice Elena Kagan's Investiture Ceremony on October 5, 2010. From left to right: Justice Sandra Day O'Connor (left), Justice Sonia Sotomayor, Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, and Justice Elena Kagan.

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Battle of Shiloh
This painting by Thure de Thulstrup shows the Battle of Shiloh, an important Northern victory that secured western Tennessee and provided access to Mississippi in April 1862. Confederate troops launched a surprise attack on Union soldiers near Shiloh Church, forcing General of William Tecumseh Sherman to withdraw his army. However, General Grant, U.S. Grant and Don Carlos Buell's men arrived with reinforcements. The fighting continued for several days, until the Confederate army could no longer hold its line and General P. G. B. Beauregard ordered his troops to retreat into Mississippi. Each army suffered more than 23,000 casualties.

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