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September	Self-esteem	Responsibility Freedom Progress	Introduction/Overview of themes, focus traits, and biographies Phyllis Wheatley	<p>.....</p> <p>www.kutztown.edu/faculty/reagan/wheat1.html www.pbs.org/ktca/liberty/chronicle/diversity-phyllisw.html http://darkwing.uoregon.edu/~rbear/wheatley.html http://www0.pbs.org/ktca/liberty/chronicle/diversity-phyllisw.html http://www.csustan.edu/english/reuben/pal/cha p2/wheatley.html-good teacher site http://www.jmu.edu/madison/wheatley/index.htm http://earlyamerica.com/review/winter96/wheatley.html – listen to a poem by her http://www.nagasaki-gaigo.ac.jp/ishikawa/amlit/w/wheatley1718.htm Richmond, M.A.. (1988) <i>Phyllis Wheatley</i>. Chelsea House Publishers. New York. Reynaldi, Ann, <i>Hang a Thousand Trees With Ribbons</i>. Robinson, William H. (1975). <i>Phyllis Wheatley in Black American Beginnings</i>. Broadside Press. Detroit.</p>

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September (cont.)	Self-esteem (cont.)	Responsibility Freedom Progress Unity (cont.)	Jesse Owens	www.jesse-owens.org/about1.html http://www.cmgww.com/sports/owens/owens.html http://www.letsfindout.com/subjects/sports/360lympi.html http://chotank.com/jessecont.html http://library.thinkquest.org/10320/Owens.htm Owens, Jesse and Paul Niemark. (1970) Open Letter to a Young Negro from <i>BLACKTHINK</i> . William Morrow and Co.

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October	Honesty	Responsibility Unity	Abraham Lincoln	<p> www.abrahamlincoln.cc/index.html www.worldbook.com/fun/tty/html/lincoln.html http://www.nps.gov/liho/lincoln.htm-timeline http://members.aol.com/RVSNorton/Lincoln.html-on the assassination http://www.geocities.com/SunsetStrip/Venue/5217/abe.html http://www.netins.net/showcase/creative/lincoln.html http://gi.grolier.com/presidents/ea/bios/16plinc.html http://www.oldmanlinc.com/president/index.htm -good teacher site http://www.netins.net/showcase/creative/lincoln/speeches/speech.htm- his speeches http://www.sherylfranklin.com/holidays/lincoln.htm http://deil.lang.uiuc.edu/web/pages/holidays/Lincoln.html Bruns, Roger. (1986) <i>Abraham Lincoln</i>. Chelsea House Publishers. New York. Holzer, Harold, ed. (1999) <i>Lincoln as I Knew Him: Gossip, Tributes and Revelations from His Best Friends and Worst Enemies</i>. Algonquin Books. New York. </p>

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				<p>Humes, James. (1999). <i>The Wit and Wisdom of Abraham Lincoln: A Treasury of Quotations, Anecdotes, and Observations</i>. Gramercy Press.</p> <p>Miers, Earl S. (1964) <i>Abraham Lincoln in Peace and War</i>. American Heritage Publishing Co. New York.</p>

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November	Respect	Freedom Unity Progress	<p>First Thanksgiving in the colonies</p> <p>.....</p> <p>Sacagawea (Lewis and Clark expedition)</p>	<p>www.night.net/thanksgiving/first.html-ssi http://members.aol.com/calebj/massasoit.html http://pilgrims.net/plymouth/thanksgiving.htm http://www.plimoth.org/Library/Thanksgiving/firstT.htm http://www.new-life.net/thanks01.htm http://www.night.net/thanksgiving/lesson-plan.html http://www.kiker.net/thanksgiving_story.html http://www.night.net/thanksgiving/First-proc.html</p> <p>.....</p> <p>www.hanksville.org/daniel/misc/Lewis.Nez.html www.lewisandclark.org/pages/sactext.html www.pbs.org/lewisandclark/inside/saca.html http://www.letsfindout.com/subjects/america/sacagawe.html http://www.alfreethought.org/php/show_col.php?column=facts_for_thought&id=2 http://encarta.msn.com/index/conciseindex/43/0438F000.htm?z=1&pg=2&br=1 http://www.teleport.com/~megaines/sacajewea.htm http://www.lewisandclark.org/pages/sactext.htm m-tells about her name Rowland,Della. (1995). <i>The Story of Sacajawea</i>. Gareth Stevens Publishing. Milwaukee.</p>

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November Continued			Chief Joseph of the Nez Perce	<p data-bbox="1346 558 1902 613">http://www.aracnet.com/~phisch/joseph/essay.htm</p> <p data-bbox="1346 615 1902 685">http://www.pbs.org/weta/thewest/wpages/wpgs660/jospeak.htm-his speeches</p> <p data-bbox="1346 686 1843 756">http://www.indians.org/welker/joseph.htm-student essays</p> <p data-bbox="1346 758 1902 813">http://www.aracnet.com/~phisch/joseph/gallery.htm</p> <p data-bbox="1346 815 1902 870">http://www.aracnet.com/~phisch/joseph/time.htm</p> <p data-bbox="1346 872 1902 941">http://www.aracnet.com/~phisch/joseph/quote.htm-quotes</p>
				<p data-bbox="1346 984 1881 1089">Fox, Mary V. (1992). <i>Chief Joseph: Champion of Liberty</i>. Children's Press. Chicago.</p> <p data-bbox="1346 1091 1902 1196">Jacobs, William. (1990). <i>Great Lives: Human Rights</i>. Charles Scribner's Sons. New York.</p>

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December	Trust	Responsibility Freedom	George Washington	<p>www.whitehouse.gov/WH/glipse/presidents/html/gw1.html http://sc94.ameslab.gov/TOUR/gwash.html www.geocities.com/Athens/Aegean/2444/gwvision.html http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/gwhtml/gwtime.html http://www.mountvernon.org/-tour of his house</p> <p>Cunliffe, Marcus. (1958). <i>George Washington, Man and Monument</i>. Little, Brown. Boston.</p> <p>Flexner, James T. (1972). <i>George Washington: Anguish and Farewell</i>. Little, Brown. Boston.</p> <p>Kent, Zachary (1986). <i>George Washington: First President of the United States</i>. Childrens Press. Boston</p> <p>Meltzer, Milton. (1986) <i>George Washington and the Birth of Our Nation</i>. F. Watts. New York.</p>

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January	Loyalty	Freedom Responsibility	Navajo Code Talkers WW II Japanese Americans	http://raphael.math.uic.edu/~jeremy/crypt/contrib/lopez2.html http://web54.sd54.k12.il.us/schools/keller/jmikes/pac/nct.html www.history.navy.mil/faqs/faq61-4.html Daily, Robert. (1995). <i>The Code Talkers</i> . Franklin Watts. New York. www.geocities.com/Athens/8420/main.html http://detnews.com/menu/stories/13546.html Stanley, Jerry. (1994). <i>I Am An American</i> . Crown Publishing. New York. Tateishi, John. (1984). <i>And Justice for All: An Oral History of the Japanese American Detention Camps</i> . Random House. New York.

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				<p>http://www.mecca.org/~crights/dream.html http://webusers.anetstl.com/~civil/civilrightspositieking.html Clayton, Ed. (1968). <i>Martin Luther King: the Peaceful Warrior</i>. Silver Burdett. Englewood Cliffs, NJ. Schulte, Flip and Penelope McPhee. (1986). <i>King Remembered</i>. Norton. New York. Smith, Kathie. (1987). <i>Martin Luther King, Jr.</i> J. Messner. New York.</p>

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March	Commitment	Freedom Responsibility Unity	Sam Houston	<p>www.pbs.org/weta/thewest/wpages/wpgs400/w4houston.html www.graceproducts.com/houston/ www.texancultures.utsa.edu/mystery/sam_houston.html www.famoustexans.com/samhouston.html http://www.mecca.org/~crights/dream.html http://webusers.anet-stl.com/~civil/civilrightspositiveking.html</p> <p>Braider, Donald.(1974). <i>Solitary Star</i>. Putnam. New York.</p> <p>Fritz, Jean. (1986). <i>Make Way for Sam Houston</i>. G.P. Putnam’s Sons. New York.</p>

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April	Self-discipline	Freedom Progress Responsibility	Sojourner Truth	<p> www.letsfindout.com/subjects/america/ http://www.ulster.net/~kehsm/truth.htm http://digitalsojourn.org/speech.html http://library.thinkquest.org/10320/Truth.htm http://www.brightmoments.com/blackhistory/nsotrue.html http://www.brightmoments.com/blackhistory/nsotrue.html http://www.kutztown.edu/faculty/reagan/truth.html - good teacher site http://www.noho.com/sojourner/whowas.html </p> <p> Krass, Peter. (1988). <i>Sojourner Truth</i>. Chelsea House. New York. </p> <p> Ortiz, Victoria. (1974). <i>Sojourner Truth, a Self-made Woman</i>. Lippincott. Philadelphia. </p>

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April Continued			Theodore Roosevelt	www.npg.si.edu/exh/roosevelt/index.html www.metro2000.net/~stabbott/tr.html www.geocities.com/Heartland/Pointe/3048/bio/TR/TR.html www.pbs.org/weta/thewest/wpages/wpgs400/w4teddy.html http://www.theodoreroosevelt.org/ http://www.npg.si.edu/exh/roosevelt/trintro2.htm http://www.nobel.se/laureates/peace-1906-bio.html http://www.whitehouse.gov/WH/glimpse/presidents/html/tr26.html http://gi.grolier.com/presidents/ea/bios/26proos.html
			(Cont. on next page)	http://www.bartleby.com/124/pres42.html http://www.pbs.org/weta/thewest/wpages/wpgs670/w67trmem/w67tr00.htm http://www.augie.edu/educ/rhs/history/tr.htm Morris, Edmund. (1979). <i>The Rise of Theodore Roosevelt</i> . Coward, McCann&Geoghegan. New York.

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April (cont.)	Self-discipline	Freedom Progress Responsibility	Theodore Roosevelt (cont.)	<p>Steffoff, Rebecca. <i>Theodore Roosevelt, 26th President of the U.S.</i> Garrett. Ada, Oklahoma.</p> <p>Wageknecht, Edward. (1958). <i>The Seven Worlds of Theodore Roosevelt.</i> Longmans, Green. New York.</p>

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May (cont.)	Self-reliance	Responsibility Freedom Progress	Eleanor Roosevelt	<p> www.rpi.edu/~howarj3/ www.udhr50.org/history/Biographies/bioer.html www.geocities.com/CollegePark/Library/4142/index.html www.pbs.org/wgbh/amex/eleanor/ http://www.udhr50.org/history/Biographies/bioer.htm http://www.cr.nps.gov/nr/twhp/wwwlps/lessons/26roosevelt/26roosevelt.htm http://personalweb.smcvt.edu/smahady/erlinks.htm http://www.rpi.edu/~howarj3/ http://www.geocities.com/CollegePark/Library/4142/index.html </p> <p>Lash, Joseph. (1972). <i>Eleanor: the Years Alone</i>. Norton. New York.</p> <p>Roosevelt, Elliott and James Brough. (1977). <i>Mother R: Eleanor Roosevelt's Untold Story</i>.</p>

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