

SOCIAL STUDIES RESOURCES

for the US Virgin Islands



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High-quality, open educational resources that bring the rich history, vibrant culture, and bright future of the U.S. Virgin Islands to life!

ST. THOMAS

ST. JOHN

ST. CROIX

LANDMARKS



BLACKBEARD'S CASTLE

St. Thomas

Historic Danish watchtower built in the 1600s overlooking Charlotte Amalie harbor.



TRUNK BAY

St. John

Consistently ranked among the world's most beautiful beaches, located in Virgin Islands National Park.



CHRISTIANSSTED NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE

St. Croix

Well-preserved Danish colonial buildings reflecting the island's 17th- and 18th-century history.

HISTORICAL EVENTS

- ★ 1493 – Christopher Columbus sights the islands
- ★ 1917 – Transfer from Denmark to the United States
- ★ July 22, 1954 – Revised Organic Act of 1954 established the framework for self-government.
- ★ 1966 – Expanding Senate Seats: The U.S. Congress and the local legislature passed a joint resolution expanding the unicameral legislative body from 11 seats to 15 seats.
- ★ 2017 & Beyond – Rebuilding stronger after the storms



PEOPLE WHO SHAPED OUR HISTORY



ALEXANDER FARRELLY

Attorney & Politician
Governor of the U.S. Virgin Islands (1969–1974)



D. HAMILTON JACKSON

Attorney & Civil Rights Leader; Advocate for Workers' Rights and Social Justice



MYRA KEATON

Nurse & Health Care Leader; Advocate for Public Health and Community Wellness



ULLA MULLER

Civic Leader & Champion for Education and Youth Development



RUBY ROUSE

Senator & Community Advocate; Champion for Social Change and Women's Rights



ROY LESTER SCHNEIDER

Physician, Politician & Governor of the U.S. Virgin Islands (1995–1999)

THEMES WE EXPLORE

- ✓ Government & Civics
- ✓ Geography & Environment
- ✓ Culture & Traditions
- ✓ Economics & Innovation
- ✓ Historical Thinking & Primary Sources

WHY USE OUR RESOURCES?

- ✓ Aligned to USVI Social Studies Standards
- ✓ Created by educators, for educators
- ✓ Open, flexible, and easy to use
- ✓ Support student inquiry and critical thinking



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