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## Editorial Calendar 2025-2026

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# FALL 2025



|                       | SEPTEMBER                                                                                       | OCTOBER                                                                                                     | NOVEMBER                                                                                                       | ATLAS & ALMANAC                                                    | DECEMBER/<br>JANUARY                                                                          |
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| <b>CURRENT EVENTS</b> | <b>Extreme Heat</b><br>Explore how cities around the world are adapting to rising temperatures. | <b>Bias and the Media</b><br>A new study shows many teens think bias is common in the news. Are they right? | <b>Paddling with a Purpose</b><br>Native American teens travel 300 miles in honor of an environmental victory. | <b>Political Systems</b><br><b>Heads of Government</b>             | <b>Roblox Economics</b><br>How do online games make money when they don't charge to play?     |
| <b>HISTORY</b>        | <b>Ancient Civilizations:</b><br>The Aztecs                                                     | <b>True Teens of History:</b><br>American Revolution                                                        | <b>Eyewitness to History:</b><br>Ukrainian Independence                                                        | <b>U.S. Territories</b><br><b>History, Population</b>              | <b>True Teens of History:</b><br>Ellis Island                                                 |
| <b>GEOGRAPHY</b>      | <b>Australia's Camel Challenge</b><br>(direction and distance)                                  | <b>Panama Canal</b><br>(physical map)                                                                       | <b>Geography and Weather</b><br>Why did a massive wall of dust temporarily engulf Phoenix, Arizona?            | <b>U.S. and World Maps</b><br>(political maps)                     | <b>A New View?</b><br>Some nations want to update the world map. (map projections)            |
| <b>CIVICS</b>         | <b>How a Bill Becomes a Law</b><br>Follow along with teens trying to get a law passed.          | <b>Phasing Out Pennies</b><br>How will the change affect Americans—and the government?                      | <b>Inspiring Tween</b><br>A student raises donations to help pets affected by the Texas floods.                | <b>U.S. Congress</b><br><b>Representation data for every state</b> | <b>Declaring Independence</b><br>What secrets does our nation's founding document still hold? |
| <b>DEBATE</b>         | <b>Are people too dependent on technology?</b>                                                  | <b>Do professional athletes earn too much money?</b>                                                        | <b>Does the U.S. import too many goods?</b>                                                                    | <b>What Can Data Reveal About The World?</b>                       | <b>Should you have assigned seats at lunch?</b>                                               |

# SPRING 2026

|                       | FEBRUARY                                                               | MARCH                                                                                                 | APRIL                                                                                         | MAY/JUNE                                                                            |
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| <b>CURRENT EVENTS</b> | <b>Lunar Ambitions</b><br>The U.S. is returning to the moon. Why now?  | <b>The Rise of Women's Sports</b><br>How did Caitlin Clark and Title IX help spur the current growth? | <b>Plastic Planet</b><br>How microplastics affect people and the environment.                 | <b>Supreme Court News</b><br>The justices will weigh in on a Fourth Amendment case. |
| <b>HISTORY</b>        | <b>True Teens of History:</b><br>The Freedom Rides                     | <b>How Phones Changed the World</b><br>Alexander Graham Bell made the first phone call 150 years ago. | <b>Eyewitness to History:</b><br>Voices From Pearl Harbor                                     | <b>Eyewitness to History:</b><br>2026 Contest Winner<br>(World War II/Holocaust)    |
| <b>GEOGRAPHY</b>      | <b>Secrets of the Silk Road</b><br>(historical map)                    | <b>Where Are the Kids?</b><br>(population map)                                                        | <b>Life for Kids and Teens in Megacities</b><br>(political map)                               | <b>Can You Find Mapman?</b><br>2026 Contest Winner<br>(comparing map types)         |
| <b>CIVICS</b>         | <b>#TeamWater</b><br>A YouTube campaign is raising clean water access. | <b>The New Citizenship Test</b><br>U.S. officials recently updated the test to become citizen.        | <b>Australia's Social Media Ban</b><br>How a new law is changing life for teens in Australia. | <b>Civil Discourse</b><br>Top middle-school debaters share their best strategies.   |
| <b>DEBATES</b>        | <b>Should media literacy be a required class?</b>                      | <b>Can AI replace artists?</b>                                                                        | <b>Should people own exotic pets?</b>                                                         | <b>Should school be year-round?</b>                                                 |

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| CURRENT<br>EVENTS | Do School Cell Phone Bans Work?                                  | Ebola Outbreak in the Democratic Republic of the Congo | How AI Data Centers Affect the Environment     | Political Systems                     | Meet Teen Inventors Improving Lives          |
| HISTORY           | Remembering 9/11, 25 Years Later                                 | New Findings About Hatshepsut (Ancient Egypt)          | Five Myths About the First Thanksgiving        | Famous People From Each Continent     | Voices From the Battle of Gettysburg         |
| GEOGRAPHY         | Why Did War in Iran Affect the Price of Oil and Gas? (world map) | Route 66 Turns 100 (direction/distance)                | The Golden Age of Pirates (latitude/longitude) | U.S. and World Maps                   | Secrets of the Arctic (polar map)            |
| CIVICS            | Great Debates From History: The Connecticut Compromise           | Meet a Teen Trying to Pass a Social Media Law in CA    | What You Need to Know About Midterm Elections  | U.S. Congress                         | The U.S. Constitution and You                |
| DEBATE            | Should AI Help With Your Homework?                               | Should Voting Be Mandatory?                            | Should eSports Be Considered a Sport?          | What Can Data Reveal About The World? | Should You Be Graded On Class Participation? |

# SPRING 2027

|                | FEBRUARY                                         | MARCH                                                | APRIL                                               | MAY/JUNE                                                       |
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| CURRENT EVENTS | Life in Ukraine, Five Years Into the War         | How to Tell Fact From Fiction Online                 | New Ideas for Tackling Climate Change               | Meet Teens Using Social Media for Good                         |
| HISTORY        | The Roaring 20s                                  | True Teens of History                                | World War II                                        | Eyewitness to History: 2027 Contest Winner                     |
| GEOGRAPHY      | 200 Years of Commercial Railroads (physical map) | The Race to Save an Endangered Species (habitat map) | Measuring the World's Highest Peaks (elevation map) | Can You Find Mapman? 2027 Contest Winner (comparing map types) |
| CIVICS         | Loving vs. Virginia, 60 Years Later              | How Does the Executive Branch Work?                  | Teens Working to Get State Laws Passed              | 5 Things You Didn't Know About the U.S. Supreme Court          |
| DEBATES        | Should You Have to Take Physical Education?      | Should Private Planes Be Banned?                     | Should Animals Be in Zoos?                          | Should You Have to Do Community Service?                       |