

**COLONIAL AMERICA**  
4-Week History/Literature Block

	Background reading (1 day)	Literature (1 or 2 days)	Activity (1 day)
Week 1	Family Read-Aloud: <i>If You Lived in Colonial Times</i> , pp. 6-12 (Basic Intro: Appearance & Clothing)  Big kids (silent): <i>Chronicle of America</i> 1-13	Family Read Aloud: <i>On the Mayflower</i> (Waters)	Choose activities from <i>Colonial Kids Activity Guide</i>  Claire saw the child's apron idea, and now she wants to sew a whole colonial girl's costume!
Week 2	Family Read-Aloud: <i>If You Lived in Colonial Times</i> pp. 13-16 & 42-47 (Topic: Food & Houses)  Big kids: <i>Chronicle of America</i> pp. 14-23	Family Read Aloud: <i>Three Young Pilgrims</i> (Harness)	Choose activity from <i>Colonial Kids Activity Guide</i> :  We churned butter using a jar and our muscles! The rag rug looks like fun.
Week 3	Family Read-Aloud: <i>If You Lived in Colonial Times</i> pp. 48-55 (work & play)  Big kids: <i>Chronicle of America</i> pp. 24-36	Family read aloud: <i>Who's that Stepping on Plymouth Rock</i> (Fritz)	Choose activities from <i>Colonial Kids Activity Guide</i>  A few of the colonial kids' games would be perfect this week.
Week 4	Family Read-Aloud: <i>If You Lived in Colonial Times</i> pp. 56-66 (travel)  Big kids: <i>Chronicles of America</i> pp. 37-end	<i>Sarah Morton's Day</i> (Waters)	Choose activity from <i>Colonial Kids Activity Guide</i>