

101 Best Strategies for Teaching Social Studies

(Grades 6-12)



A Unique One-Day Live Online Seminar Presented by

Christopher Lange

Outstanding and Innovative Social Studies Teacher

Specifically Designed for Grades 6-12
History/Social Studies Teachers

101 highly effective, practical strategies to strengthen your students' motivation and achievement in your history/social studies classroom

Practical lessons, examples and strategies designed to greatly enhance your program, spark curiosity and increase students' acquisition and application of new content – no matter what social studies courses you teach

Specific ways to build high-level student engagement and help **catch up students who have fallen behind** in reading and writing skills as you immerse students in your social studies curriculum

Receive an extensive social studies digital resource handbook filled with 101 practical strategies, techniques and ideas that you can use immediately

LIVE ONLINE SEMINARS

March 2

9 AM Eastern, 8 AM Central,
7 AM Mountain, 6 AM Pacific

March 13

9 AM Central, 8 AM Mountain,
7 AM Pacific, 10 AM Eastern

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and take the seminar online at
your convenience (see page 6)

*"Chris was very engaging
and knowledgeable. He was
full of awesome ideas that
I can't wait to use!"*

– RAECHEL REIDY,
SOCIAL STUDIES TEACHER

Ten Key Benefits of Attending

'By far the best out-of-district professional development I have attended! Chris was excellent! I plan to use many of these strategies with my students.'

– GARRETT LUCAS,
HISTORY TEACHER



Who Should Attend

Grades 6-12
History/Social Studies
Teachers

- 1. 101 of the Best Strategies to Greatly Enhance Your Social Studies Program**
Discover the best strategies, lessons and activities designed specifically to strengthen your grades 6-12 social studies program ... Receive a wealth of outstanding, practical ideas and techniques you can use the very next day – no matter what social studies content you teach
- 2. Build a High-Level Student Engagement Social Studies Program**
Experience a wide range of resources, apps and strategies you can use to greatly increase your students' engagement ... Tips and ideas for personalizing your students' learning
- 3. Fresh, New Ideas For Making Best Use of Technology and Artificial Intelligence**
Explore ways to leverage AI and technology to assist in content generation and student assessment ... Enhance your social studies instruction and increase student engagement
- 4. Implement Problem-Based Learning and Structure Your Units for Student Success**
Discover strategies for implementing problem-based learning in social studies to teach research skills and help catch students up on missed content ... Ways to incorporate meaningful, inquiry-based learning, develop sophisticated overarching questions, and structure content to revolve around unit goals
- 5. Ignite Your Students' Passion Through Project-Based Learning**
Take a new view on PBL and discover innovative strategies that work, no matter what content you teach ... Develop exciting new ways to incorporate your content to encourage and motivate your students
- 6. Make Social Studies REAL for Your Students**
Discover effective ways to infuse relevant experiences that connect 21st century learners to social studies ... Learn effective strategies to elevate your content and help students analyze through inquiry, technology, research, and discovery
- 7. Help Catch Up Students Who Have Fallen Behind in Their Reading and Writing Skills**
Discover unique and practical strategies to help catch up students who have fallen behind in reading and writing, ensuring your students develop the skills to succeed in the real world ... Easy-to-implement note-taking, summarizing, research, and writing activities
- 8. Regain Valuable Time for Where You're Most Needed**
Apply easy-to-implement process-oriented activities that will speed up content acquisition for your students and free up valuable time for you ... Discover ways to personalize learning and optimize the impact of your social studies instruction
- 9. Strengthen Your Students' Collaboration and Analytical Skills**
Learn many effective ways to build your students' historical and analytical thinking skills ... Receive engaging and immersive lessons, activities and web-based tools that build collaboration skills as students discover content
- 10. Receive an Extensive Social Studies Digital Resource Handbook**
You will receive an extensive digital resource handbook packed with 101 outstanding strategies designed to greatly enhance your grades 6-12 history/social studies program

Outstanding Strategies You Can Use Immediately

What You Will Learn ...

- **101 of the best, highly engaging, easy-to-implement strategies** to strengthen your social studies program
- **Techniques to help catch up students who have fallen behind** and strengthen their skills as readers and writers
- **New ways to engage your students** through interactive project design and technology
- **How to use inquiry-driven instruction** to design more immersive and connected content units
- **Timesaving tips and tricks** using free Google resources to enhance your students' learning
- **Specific ways to use Project-Based Learning effectively** in a variety of content areas
- Classroom-tested strategies and tips to **help your students become more efficient readers**
- **High-interest, high-impact activities, apps, and websites** that appeal to diverse social studies students
- Stimulating lessons designed to **strengthen student communication and collaboration**
- Strategies to help you design your classroom and program to **effectively appeal to and motivate the modern social studies student**
- Ways to combine high-tech and low-tech strategies to **increase student participation and communication**
- **Expand your "Bag of Tricks"** with dozens of effective strategies you can use in almost any social studies lesson at any time of the year
- Alternative assessment design techniques to **develop higher-level critical thinking in your students**
- Techniques to **help your students ask better questions** when analyzing content



"Chris did a great job explaining so many different strategies and he made the content accessible. 10/10 for content and delivery. Awesome job!"

— LUCAS BRAWNER, SOCIAL STUDIES TEACHER

Practical Ideas and Strategies

How can we best reach and teach our 21st century social studies learners? How can we cover our required content, teach to standards and strengthen students' reading and writing skills? How can we best prepare our students for the future? And how can we integrate the most powerful and applicable new approaches in our field?

For practical answers and solutions to these questions, join outstanding and innovative social studies teacher **CHRISTOPHER LANGE** as he presents 101 of the best, classroom-tested strategies designed to greatly enhance your social studies program. If you want to increase your students' acquisition of content and social studies skills in highly engaging ways, this seminar is for you! Each of the strategies and techniques Chris shares can be easily implemented the very next day in your own program. These strategies can also easily be differentiated or scaffolded to meet the needs of your diverse learners.

Join Chris for a high energy, humorous, engaging day of 101 outstanding strategies to strengthen your grades 6-12 history/social studies program.



A Message From Seminar Leader, Christopher Lange



Uniquely Qualified Instructor

CHRISTOPHER LANGE is a highly experienced, innovative and current secondary social studies teacher. He is seen by his peers as a leader of cutting-edge social studies instructional practices. Chris is passionate about helping fellow teachers develop new strategies to powerfully engage and help their students become passionate about and successful in social studies.

All the strategies, lessons and ideas that Chris presents are highly practical and engaging, and stem from the best of what he has found to be successful with his own social studies/history students, ranging from core to advanced AP classes. Participants regularly praise Chris' ability to break down complex ideas into concise, doable and practical approaches and strategies that can be implemented the very next day.

Join Chris for a high energy, humorous, engaging day packed full of outstanding strategies, ideas and ways you can greatly strengthen your grades 6-12 history/social studies program – no matter what content you teach.

Dear Colleague:

Unfortunately, the lessons and activities that worked for us years ago do not translate well for our 21st century students. Yet, it can feel like a massive challenge and undertaking to try to reinvent or rethink our curriculum and approaches in order to best engage our students. As social studies teachers we face many difficult tasks. How can we fit it all in? How can we maximize our effectiveness given the time that we have? And now in this current environment – how can we help catch up our students who have fallen behind?

My goal is to provide you with 101 of the best, proven strategies you can use immediately to greatly enhance activities, lessons, units, and your overall social studies program. I have personally used and tested all these strategies, ideas, processes, and approaches with my own students. In this seminar, I will share the best of what I found to be successful.

I designed this seminar expressly with the needs of history/social studies teachers in mind. Like me, you may have left past professional development sessions saying something like, "So they told me what I should be doing, but how do I actually do this in my classroom?" I guarantee, I will provide you with a wealth of great ideas and resources you can take home and apply the very next day in your program.

Each strategy, technique, website, app, and lesson idea that I share can be applied to any area of social studies content. You will be able to easily scaffold and adapt these strategies across varied student ability levels and a variety of circumstances. I want to help you with one of the most important issues in our field today – how we can best engage our students and help them be successful with the content. Please join me for a renewing, empowering day full of solutions and answers.

Sincerely,

Christopher Lange

P.S. Be prepared for a thought-provoking and fast-paced learning day full of 101 outstanding strategies you can use immediately!

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What Your Colleagues Say About Christopher Lange

*"I love the fact that **Chris not only provided the handbook, but also provided access to a Google Drive of resources** to continue to enhance our knowledge!"*

– Jennifer Kundera, Social Studies Teacher

*"This was probably the best seminar I have ever attended. **Chris was extremely knowledgeable and entertaining.** So many great topics covered. Thanks so much!"*

– Kelly Fleming, Middle School Social Studies Teacher

*"Well done! Thanks for all of the **great ideas.**"*

– John Worthington, Teacher

*"This seminar provided **many useful strategies to use in the classroom.** Chris was dynamic and not only filled the day with relevant, useful techniques, but he also gave a wonderful presentation!"*

– Jennifer Guerrero, Teacher

*"I think Chris' strategies will help immensely to improve my classroom instruction! **Great workshop** and very entertaining."*

– Harry Longini, 9-10 History Teacher



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You will receive an extensive digital resource handbook specifically designed for this seminar. The handbook includes:

- Research-based and practical strategies, ideal for social studies classrooms
- Strategies to help catch up students who have fallen behind and more successfully engage students in social studies text
- Links, descriptions and walk throughs of the best apps and websites for teaching social studies
- Detailed descriptions of activities to promote student collaboration and participation
- Innovative ideas on how to implement Project-Based Learning in your social studies classroom
- Creative ways to cover a wide variety of content quickly while maintaining student engagement

Consultation Available

Christopher Lange will be available for consultation regarding your questions and the unique needs of your own program.

Share Ideas with Other Educators

This seminar provides a wonderful opportunity for participants to share ideas with other educators interested in strengthening their history/social studies program.

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Registration (SSL6S1)

- ☐ 1. **March 2, 2026** (Start time: 9 AM Eastern)
- ☐ 2. **March 13, 2026** (Start time: 9 AM Central)
- or—
- ☐ 3. **I'd like to order the recorded version of this seminar**

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