

# 101 Best Strategies for Teaching Social Studies

## (Grades 6-12)



A Unique One-Day Seminar Presented by

## Christopher Lange

Outstanding and Innovative Social Studies Teacher

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

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

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**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

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**Specific ways to build high-level student engagement** and powerfully strengthen reading and writing skills as you immerse students in your social studies curriculum

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

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CEUs and Graduate Credits Available  
See page 6 for details

# 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 in my classroom.'*

– 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 Classroom**  
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. Strengthen Your Students' Reading and Writing Skills**  
Discover unique and practical strategies to ensure your students develop the skills to succeed when they step out of your classroom ... Easy-to-implement note-taking, summarizing, research, and writing activities
- 4. Structure Your Social Studies Units for Student Success**  
Explore innovative unit design ideas to strengthen student learning ... 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. The Best Ways to Use Free Google Tools in Social Studies**  
Learn practical ways to enhance your content, instruction and students' learning through a variety of free Google Tools ... Enhance your social studies instruction and increase student engagement
- 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 Resource Handbook**  
You will receive an extensive 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
- **New ways to engage your students** through interactive project design and technology
- **Scaffolding techniques** that will strengthen your students' skills as readers and writers
- **Ways 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**



*'This was a fantastic seminar! I will be able to use many of these ideas right away.'*

– CHRISTINE DAILEY, TEACHER

## Practical Ideas and Strategies

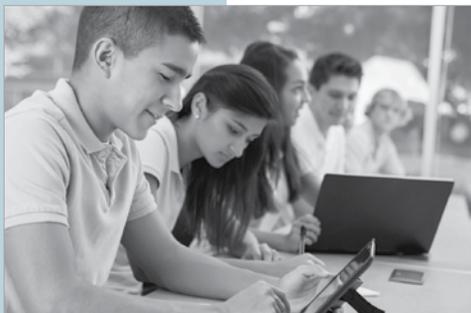
How can we best reach and teach our 21st century social studies learners? How can we cover our required content, teach to standards and strengthen students' reading and writing skills? How can we best prepare our students for the future? And how can we integrate the most powerful and applicable new approaches 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 – no matter what history/social studies courses you teach. 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 classes 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 and 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?

My goal is to provide you with 101 of the best classroom-tested 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 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-invoking 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

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*"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

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*"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 of strategies and resources!"*

Jennifer Kundera, Social Studies Teacher

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

John Worthington, Teacher

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*"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



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

Harry Longini, 9-10 History Teacher

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*"It was very helpful how **Chris connected strategies to real life examples** and showed student work samples, and specific content examples."*

Kaitlyn Fish, High School Social Studies

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*"**Super engaging and effective presentation.** Chris Lange was an articulate and humorous presenter. Thank you!"*

Karen Curinen, Social Studies Teacher

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*"Lots of fantastic ideas to take back to my building. **Wonderful resources!**"*

Robin Yokas, Instructional Coach

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*"**Great mix of ideas** that I will integrate. Many things I can try tomorrow (or right away). Thanks so much!"*

Jackie Zeigler, Teacher

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*"**Excellent seminar, practical, useful,** very enjoyable, and productive."*

Todd Severns, Teacher

# Special Benefits of Attending



*"Great workshop  
and super  
informative! I  
left with plenty of  
ideas that I can  
incorporate tomorrow!  
Thank you!"*

— KATIE CUGLIOTTA, TEACHER

## On-Site Training

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## Extensive Social Studies Resource Handbook

Each participant will receive an extensive resource handbook specifically designed for this seminar. The handbook includes:

- Strategies to more successfully engage students in social studies text
- Links, descriptions and walkthroughs 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
- Research-based and classroom-tested strategies, ideal for social studies classrooms

## Meet and Share

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

## Meet Inservice Requirements / Earn State CEUs

Participants will receive a certificate of participation that may be used to verify continuing education hours.

## CEUs Available:

### Illinois

5 IL PD Clock Hours Available

### Maine

5 Contact Hours Available with Prior Approval from your Local Certification Support System

### Missouri

MO Inservice Credit Available with Prior District Approval; 5 IL PD Clock Hours Available

### New Hampshire

NH Clock Hours Verification Available; For MA, Contact Hours Verification Available

### New Jersey

NJ Professional Development Hours Available with Prior District Approval; PA CPE Hours Verification Available with Prior District Approval in Cherry Hill

### New York

5 NY CTLE Hours Available; NJ Professional Development Hours Available with Prior District Approval

### Oregon

OR Professional Growth Hours Verification Available; WA Clock Hours Available

### Washington

WA Clock Hours Available

## Earn One to Four Graduate Semester Credits



Up to four graduate level professional development credits are available with an additional fee and completion of follow-up practicum activities. Details for direct enrollment with Brandman University, part of the Chapman University system, will be available at this program.

## Can't Attend?

### Other Professional Development Options:

#### Related Online Course

BER offers educators a wide range of online courses that are affordable, fun, fast, and convenient. BER is now offering On Demand Video-Based courses. You may earn optional graduate-level credits for most courses.

See the catalog of available courses at [www.ber.org/onlinelearning](http://www.ber.org/onlinelearning)



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## Registration (SSL9S1)

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FIRST NAME _____	M.I. _____	LAST NAME _____
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SCHOOL MAILING ADDRESS _____	
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**Registration confirmations are sent via e-mail.  
If you would like a confirmation, please provide your e-mail address.**

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**IMPORTANT: PRIORITY ID CODE: ESSL9S1**

## METHOD OF PAYMENT – Team Discount Available

**The registration fee is \$269 per person,**  
for teams of three or more registering at the same time, the fee is \$249  
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## Program Hours

All seminars are scheduled 8:30 a.m. - 3:15 p.m.  
Check-in 8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.

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## Meeting Sites and Hotel Accommodations

Seminars will be held at the following sites:

- Anaheim: Red Lion, (714) 750-2801
- Cherry Hill: The Hotel ML – Mt. Laurel, (856) 234-7300
- Chicago: Holiday Inn & Suites – Carol Stream, (630) 665-3000
- Long Island: Four Points By Sheraton – Plainview, (516) 694-6500
- Manchester: Executive Court Banquet Facility, (603) 626-4788; hotel accommodations available at Best Western Plus Executive Court Inn, (603) 627-2525
- Newark: The Wilshire Grand Hotel – West Orange, (973) 731-7007
- Portland, ME: Fireside Inn & Suites, (207) 774-5601
- Portland, OR: Hilton Garden Inn – Airport, (503) 255-8600
- St. Louis: Clayton Plaza Hotel – Clayton, (314) 726-5400
- Seattle: Hilton – Bellevue, (425) 455-1300

If needed, please make your own hotel reservations by calling the appropriate hotel listed above.

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100% of your paid registration fee will be refunded if you can't attend and notify us at least 10 days before the conference. Late cancellations will be refunded less a \$15 service fee. Substitutions may be made at any time without charge.

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