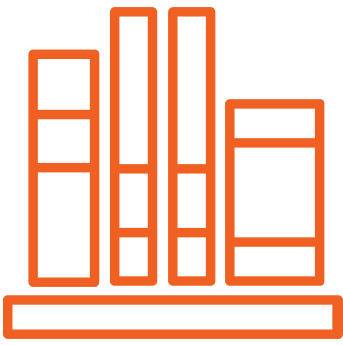


# WHAT IN YOUR LIFE COULD INSPIRE THE PERFECT NHD TOPIC?

## FAMILY HISTORY



What wars, events, or periods of leadership have shaped your family history? Can you ask any of your relatives about key moments of history that have affected them?

Ex. Maybe your grandfather served during the Vietnam War. What could you ask him about his time in the service, where he was stationed, and any takeaways he had from the war?

## EXTRACURRICULARS

What are your hobbies? Do you play any sports? What are your extracurricular activities?

Ex. Maybe you play baseball. Have you ever wondered when the sport was invented and who invented it? How did the most successful baseball players of all time overcome adversity?



## WHERE YOU LIVE



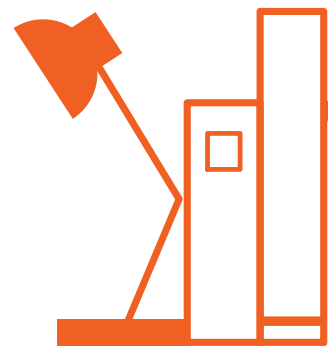
What historical events happened in the region where you live or affected it? Do you have a hometown hero? What stories could be told through investigative research in your local library or nearby archives?

Ex. Maybe you live in Paterson, New Jersey. Did you know that Founding Father and first U.S. Secretary of the Treasury Alexander Hamilton helped to establish Paterson as America's first planned industrial city? What more can you research about Paterson's past and connection to the American industrial revolution?

## FAVORITE SCHOOL SUBJECT

Besides history, do you like math or science? English? A foreign language class? Art, dance, or a music class?

Ex. Maybe you love math. Have you ever wanted to know more about mathematician Alan Turing's deciphering of the Enigma Code at Bletchley Park during World War II? In what ways did the field of mathematics assist the Allied Powers during the war?



## HISTORICAL FIGURES AND EVENTS THAT SPARK INTEREST



What did you like learning about most in your history classes? What is something you wish you learned more about?

Ex. Maybe you enjoyed learning about the Progressive Era in U.S. history. Do you want to investigate further into the role of muckrakers? How did they influence child labor laws or the Pure Food and Drug Act of 1906?