



## Reading more deeply

### Easy

Frigo, N. *VCE Revolutions: America*, Cambridge Checkpoints, Cambridge University Press, Port Melbourne, 2015.

This is an excellent study guide written specifically for VCE Revolutions, with simple explanations of the curriculum requirements, tight timelines and summaries of all major events, leaders and groups, plus good practice papers to enhance your understanding and preparation.

### Moderate

Thompson, S., *Forging America*, HTAV, Melbourne, 2010.

This is a highly recommended text for the Area of Study One period, especially Chapter 2, '*Crisis and Response*' and Chapter 3, '*Breaking With the Past*'. Chapters 4 to 6 deal with Area of Study Two and are also highly recommended. It is one of the best texts on the market on the American Revolution. Thompson, a VCE Revolutions teacher, HTAV lecturer and now author, weaves an excellent tale of the American Revolution.

### Challenging

Loewen, J., *Lies My Teacher Told Me: Everything Your American History Textbook Got Wrong*, The New Press, New York, 1995.

Look at Chapter 1, 'Handicapped by History', Chapter 4, 'Red Eyes' and Chapter 5, "'Gone With The Wind": The Invisibility of Racism in American History Textbooks'. This is a very entertaining left-wing summation of American history and the flaws in the way it has been traditionally written and taught.