

Introduction to A-Level American Literature Knowledge Organiser



**Pilgrim Fathers /
Huguenots/Puritans
– 1600;**

Follow this link to learn more about the Pilgrim Fathers: <https://www.bing.com/videos/search?q=pilgrim+fathers+america&view=detail&mid=10000000000000000000>

Follow this link to learn more about the Puritans: <https://www.bing.com/videos/search?q=pilgrim+fathers+america&view=detail&mid=10000000000000000000>

Further reading on this era:

<https://www.theguardian.com/world/2020/sep/20/pilgrim-fathers-harsh-truths->



**North / South Divide
Late 1700; to 1861**



**The Civil War
1861 - 1865**

Find out more about the American Civil War: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=38KcVu5DkhA>

Further reading on this era:

<https://www.bl.uk/onlinegallery/onlineex/uscivilwar/origins/origins.html>



Follow this link to learn more: <https://www.bing.com/videos/search?q=1920s+america+video&view=detail&mid=10000000000000000000>

1920; Roaring Twenties



Further reading on this era:

<https://www.britannica.com/topic/Roaring-Twenties>



Follow this link to learn more: <https://www.bing.com/videos/search?q=great+depression&view=detail&mid=10000000000000000000>

Great Depression 1929 / 1930;



Further reading on this era can be found here: <https://americandream.weebly.com/american-dream-in-history.html>

American Dream



Further reading on this era:

<https://www.smithsonianmag.com/history/behold-american-dream->



Further reading on this era:

<https://ageofaffluence.weebly.com/consumerism.html>

**1940; & 50;
American Consumerism**

