

# Day Two: York



The second day is a day of exploration of texts and a variety of resources to learn more about York. York was an enslaved person who accompanied Clark along the Lewis and Clark Expedition. Throughout the day you will explore journal entries and letters written by Clark which reference York, along with articles written about the importance of York.

## Essential Questions

- ❖ What is a primary source and what is a secondary source?
- ❖ Who is York, and what were his accomplishments?
- ❖ In what ways did York's experiences differ from other members of the Lewis and Clark Expedition?

## Materials

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> "Primary vs Secondary Sources" video<br>( <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o1og03RKuhU&amp;ab_channel=HistoryVideos100">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o1og03RKuhU&amp;ab_channel=HistoryVideos100</a> ) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> York Slides<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Time Magazine (2002)<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Clark's writing about York<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Graphic Organizer |
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## Procedure

### 10 mins | Warm-Up

Have the students respond to the following:

- How has the labor of enslaved Black Americans benefited the United States?
  - What do you think is a fair way to honor the memory of enslaved Black Americans?
- How should the United States try to compensate their descendants?

### 5 mins | Video "Primary vs Secondary Sources"

### 10 mins | Black Explorer #2: York Slides

Show students the slides and have them complete their graphic organizer for the explorer "York"

### 20 mins | Explore Primary and Secondary Sources

Have students self select from one of the options and add more information into their graphic organizer

### 7 mins | Exit Ticket

Have the students respond to the following:

- What skills did York bring along the Lewis and Clark Expedition?
- Some people have suggested York and William Clark were friends, but Clark's own writings disprove this. Why do you think Clark's mistreatment of York is not often talked about?