These pop culture text sets attempt to represent not just a topic, but an issue within that topic, and sides of that issue. The text sets present multiple perspectives on an issue—as well as multiple levels of texts and multiple modalities. Some articles may need to be adapted for lower level readers, and some website text you may choose to move into Word and reformat so it is easier to read and has fewer distractors/ads. Be sure to capture the whole URL, without spaces for line-breaks, when you seek these online resources. Thanks to all the teachers who shared resources. If you have a bibliography you‘d like to share with social studies teachers, please email us at: contact@readingandwritingproject.com.

Please keep in mind that websites are temporal and so might no longer be posted.

***Child Labor***

**Explicit Texts**

<http://www.anti-slaverysociety.addr.com/childlabor01.htm>

**This is a webpage for** Anti slavery a part of child labor. These pages can be combined and transformed to provide an introduction text for young people to the topical issue of child slavery, pawnage (bonded child labor) and the worst forms of child labor by providing an interactive learning experience.

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"Video Stories: CNN Archives." *Video Stories: CNN Archives*. N.p., n.d. Web. 08 Aug. 2012. [**http://www.stolenchildhoods.org/mt/archives/videostories/cnn/index.php**](http://www.stolenchildhoods.org/mt/archives/videostories/cnn/index.php)

CNN news clip on child labor on a documentary, hearing from children around the world whose childhood is being lost.

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Nightline news clip on child labor regarding the documentary, Stolen Childhoods around the worlds.

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ILO Reports on Child Labor Globally: The International Labour Office (ILO) warned in its new Global Report "Accelerating Action Against Child Labour" that efforts to eliminate the worst forms of child labor are slowing down amid the growing concerns of economic downturn.

**Child Labor within the Chocolate Industry**

**Explicit Texts**

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Chocolate and Child Labor PSA

Qkenr. "Kit Kat: Give the Child Slaves a Break." *YouTube*. YouTube, 23 Mar. 2011. Web. 08 Aug. 2012. [**http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4iYnH3fQH7c&feature=related**](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zNMubFmx6qM&feature=related)

Kit Kat: Give the child slaves a break. Child labor on the Ivory Coast interviewing cousins harvesting cocoa, who have never tasted chocolate.

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CNN's David McKenzie travels to the Ivory Coast to investigate children working in the cocoa fields, where a leader of a Cocoa cooperative admits that children are working in the area.

**Child Labor in the Garment Industry**

**Explicit Texts**

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Child Labor Public Announcement where girls on a shopping spree pay for their clothes in terms of child labor effects.

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**Nuanced Texts**

**Research Texts**

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This is play or readers theatre based on history child labor.