



NHD-CA Topic List

Breaking Barriers in History



Physical Barriers

- Berlin Wall
- Lewis and Clark Expedition
- Cumberland Gap & Daniel Boone
- Transcontinental Railroad
- John Wesley Powell
- Establishment of California's Eastern Border
- U.S. Mexican Border
- Panama Canal
- Building of the Golden Gate Bridge
- Japanese Internment

Innovation Barriers

- Nicolaus Copernicus
- Galileo Galilei
- Hedy Lamar
- Cecilia Payne Gasosdekin
- Development of Braille
- Susan LaFlesche Picotte
- Joseph Lister
- Nuclear Weapons
- Heart Transplant
- Smallpox Vaccine
- Apollo Mission
- Margret Hamilton
- AIDS / HIV Crisis
- The First Rubber Condom
- RU 4861
- Development of Communication:
 Telegram, Telephone, Radio
- Valery Legasov, Chernobyl
- Buck vs. Bell
- Eli Whitney
- Samuel Morse
- Robert Fulton
- Penicillin
- John Audubon
- John Muir
- Dorothea Dix
- Women in Scientific Revolution:
 Countess of Lovelace, Maria Winkelmann,
 Countess of Chinchon, Emilie du Châtelet,
 Maria Cunitz, Lady Mary Wortley Montagu,
 Margaret Cavendish, Elisabeth Hevelius
- Clara Barton, American Red Cross

- Alexander Graham Bell
- Wright Brothers
- Thomas Edison

Legal Barriers

- Trail of Peter John Zenger, 1735
- Homestead Act
- Chinese Exclusion Act
- Scopes Monkey Trial
- Westminster v. Mendez
- Truman Desegregation
- Chief Justice Earl Warren & the Warren Court
- Brown v. Topeka Board of Education (1954)
- Ruby Bridges
- Little Rock Nine
- Boston Busing Boycotts
- Berkeley Free Speech Movement
- Perez v. Sharp (1948)
- Griswold v. Connecticut (1965)
- Loving v. Virginia (1967)
- West Virginia v. Barnette (1943)
- Brandenburg v. Ohio (1969)
- Cohen v. California (1971)
- Texas v. Johnson (1989)
- Brown v. Board of Education (1954)
- Gideon v. Wainwright (1963)
- Hazelwood v. Kuhlmeier (1988)
- Miranda v. Arizona (1966)
- New York Times v. Sullivan (1964)
- Tinker v. Des Moines (1969)
- Dred Scott v. Sandford (1857)
- Plessy v. Ferguson (1896)
- Baker v. Carr (1962)
- Gideon v. Wainwright (1963)
- Americans with Disabilities Act
- Education of Handicapped Children Act
- 504 Sit-in
- Immigration and Naturalization Act of 1965
- Lyndon B. Johnson and the Voting Rights Act

Societal Barriers

- Romanticism Literature
- Reformation
- Counter Reformation
- Papal Schism

- Martin Luther, 98 Theses
 - Schism in Islam: Sunni & Shia split, Wahhabism
 - Akbar, the Mughal Empire, and Divine Faith
 - Russian Orthodoxy
 - Gutenberg Printing Press
 - Ann Hutchinson
 - Great Awakening
 - El Clamor Publico
 - Allensworth Township
 - Booker T. Washington
 - Nellie Bly
 - Thomas Gallaudet
 - Hellen Keller
 - Tennessee Home for Children
 - Jane Addams, Hull House
 - Jacob Riis
 - Margret Sanger
 - Flappers
 - Jesse Owens
 - Code Talkers
 - Zoot Suits Riots
 - Private Desmond Doss
 - Greensboro Sitins
 - Lavender Scare
 - Compton's Cafeteria Riots
 - Martin Luther King Jr.
 - The Southern Christian Leadership Conference
 - 1968 Mexico City Olympics
 - Black Power Movement
 - NAACP
 - Walter White
 - Coopers Do-Nuts Riots
 - Harvey Milk
 - Stonewall
 - Temple Grandin
 - WACS: women in the armed services
 - Chicano Student Walkout in LA High Schools
 - Billie Jean King vs. Bobby Riggs
 - Gloria Stienem
 - Phyllis Schafly
 - Sandra Day O'Connor
 - Don't Ask Don't Tell Policy
 - Sonia Sotomayor
 - King George & Qian Long
 - The Opium War
 - Queen Elizabeth I
 - Queen Mary of Scots
 - Magna Carta
 - English Bill of Rights
 - Declaration of Rights of Man and Citizen
 - Mayflower Compact
 - Roger Williams
 - Sons of Liberty
 - Paul Revere
 - Boston Tea Party 1773
 - Benjamin Franklin
 - Declaration of Independence
 - French Revolution
 - Maximilien Robespierre
 - Whiskey Rebellion, 1794
 - Political Parties
 - Alexander Hamilton
 - Marbury v. Madison (1803)
 - Fletcher v. Peck (1810)
 - Toussaint L 'Overture
 - Bonaparte Napoleon
 - John Brown
 - Harriet Tubman
 - Joseph Smith
 - Brigham Young
 - Ida B. Wells
 - Susan B. Anthony
 - National American Woman Suffrage Association (NAWSA)
 - National Woman's Party (NWA)
 - Wyoming granting women's suffrage
 - Alice Paul
 - Virginia Woodhull
 - Eugene V. Debs' Leadership of the American Socialist Movement
 - New Deal and Great Society
 - Eleanor Roosevelt
 - Wilma Mankiller
 - Thurgood Marshall
 - Shirley Chisholm
 - Affirmative Action
 - Bakke v. University of California (1978)
 - Nixon's Southern Strategy
 - Chicano Student Walkouts
 - Chicano Park
 - People's Park
 - Walter Conkrite and Vietnam
 - Watergate Journalism
- Political Barriers**
- Pericles
 - Cincinnatus
 - Belgian Congo
 - Anne of Cleves
 - Benazir Bhutto

- Geraldine Ferraro

International/Diplomatic Barriers

- Treaty of Westphalia Congress of Vienna
- Monroe Doctrine
- Perry Expedition
- 54° 40' or Fight
- Treaty of Waitangi

Environmental Barriers

- Chernobyl
- Animals in World War I
- California Grizzly
- California Coastal Commission
- Bodega Head Nuclear Power Plant
- Three Mile Island
- Biosphere
- National Parks Service Act
- Bowman v. Monsanto (2013)
- Louisiana Purchase
- Lewis and Clark Expedition
- Pat Brown California Aqueducts

Theoretical Barriers

- Thomas More, Utopian Theory
- John Locke
- Voltaire
- Montesquieu
- Rousseau
- John von Neumann, Game Theory
- Carl Sagan
- Manifest Destiny

Economic Barriers

- Silk Road
- Pax Mongolica
- Trans-Saharan Trade
- Sakoku
- Henry the Navigator
- British-Chinese Trade
- Columbian Exchange
- Three Gorges Dam
- Dutch Trading Company
- Adam Smith
- National Road
- Homestead Act
- Transcontinental Railroad
- Bidy Mason
- Pullman Porters Strike
- Railroad Strike of 1877

- Grange Movement
- Labor Reform
- Mother Jones
- Great Migrations
- Tucker 48
- Interstate Highway Act
- Female Property Ownership
- Cesar Chavez
- Creation of Standard Time
- California v. Cabazon Band of Mission Indians
- Civilian Conservation Corps
- Rosie Riveter
- Curt Flood
- Free Agency in Baseball
- North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA)

Artistic Barriers

- Muse d'Orsay
- Impressionism
- Pablo Picasso
- E.E. Cummings
- Ida Lupine
- Tommy Dorsey
- Maria Tallchief
- Oscar Michaeeny
- Andy Warhol
- Hollywood Studio System
- Frank Lloyd Wright
- Woodstock
- Harlem Renaissance
- Royal Chicano Air Force
- Robert Maplethorpe
- Pearl S. Buck
- Women New Wave Artist
- Amy Tan
- Brancusi v. US (1928)
- Jazz - Plessy vs. Ferguson
- Marian Anderson