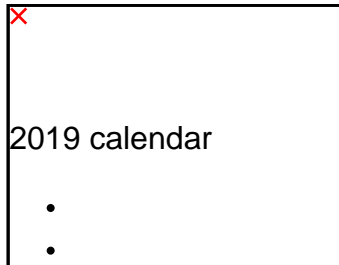




Using Online Resources to Celebrate February Events

Posted on 02/04/2019



February is a busy month when it comes to observations and celebrations. In addition to Groundhog Day, Chinese New Year, Valentine's Day, and Presidents Day, February is also Black History Month. Over the years, OTAN has compiled a number of online resources that teachers can use to add content and information to their lessons on one or more of these holidays. Here are some previous web-based activities that list those resources:

This article updated in September 2017 includes resources for Valentine's Day and Presidents Day:

https://www.otan.us/browse/index.cfm?fuseaction=view_ft&catid=34715&recno=4427

This article updated in February 2016 includes resources for Valentine's Day, Presidents Day, and Black History Month:

https://www.otan.us/browse/index.cfm?fuseaction=view_ft&catid=34728&recno=2658

- This article updated in January 2010 includes resources for Black History Month (note that some of the links to resources are broken):

https://www.otan.us/browse/index.cfm?fuseaction=view_ft&catid=19701&recno=4221

In order to ensure that students and teachers get the most out of black history and Black History Month, we recommend that everyone read this article from Teaching Tolerance on the do's and don'ts of teaching black history: <https://www.tolerance.org/magazine/dos-and-donts-of-teaching-black-history>

Another good article to review is "How to Teach Students About Holidays and History" from the Teacher.org website:

<https://www.teacher.org/resource/teaching-holidays/>

We hope that you and your students enjoy learning more about the observations and celebrations of February and increase your understanding of the important historical, social, and cultural underpinnings of these events.