# **Library of Congress ONLINE!**

Take a guided tour of the Library of Congress Web site! Discover Edison's films; examine Bell's scientific notebooks, Morse's code, and maps of exploration and world events; pore over photographs of home towns and exotic places; listen to America's voices in songs, conversations, and speeches; track current legislation or contact your Congressman; and visit unique exhibitions without leaving your home town.

To help you take advantage of these wonderful primary sources, sample the Library's services and resources, including Ask-A-Librarian, Today in History, Portals to the World, the Learning Page, and more!

**Audience:** teachers, curriculum specialists, staff development trainers, media specialists, librarians and university instructors

## Objectives:

Participants will:

- Develop an understanding of the organization of the site as a whole, and its respective sub-sites and their contents;
- Develop an understanding of the navigation of the Library of Congress Web site and where to locate content-rich areas relevant to their needs;
- Gain a basic understanding of the search tools in various sections of the site.

#### Tasks in brief:

- Navigate among the Library of Congress content and service sub-sites.
- Conduct basic searches in selected sub-sites, such as: Library of Congress Home Page; American Memory; THOMAS; Today in History; Global Gateway; Exhibitions.
- Explore the Web site's multimedia file formats, including practice with the map technology, and playing a movie and sound recording.

## **Presentation Options:**

One-hour demonstration

(Post-conference hands-on practice is strongly encouraged.)

Two-hour hands-on workshop

(Requires internet-connected computers and Web browsers configured to play LC multimedia file formats. For details, see <a href="How to View">How to View</a>) <a href="http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/help/view.html">http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/help/view.html</a>

## Resources:

- American Memory: <u>How to View American Memory Multimedia Files</u> http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/help/view.html
- Learning Page: Exploring the Library of Congress via the Internet http://memory.loc.gov/learn/educators/handouts/index.html
- <u>Library of Congress</u> http://www.loc.gov