Using Game-Play to Explore History with Students in Grades 6-10

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The Underground Railroad: Journey to Freedom is a "choose your own journey" style online game that incorporates 3-D experiences as students make a series of choices that affect their journey. Played from a first-person perspective, the game immerses students in the action as they escape from a southern plantation and head north toward freedom. Along the route, students make key decisions that will lead them to one of several possible outcomes.

Use this educator guide to engage students in Grades 6-10 with the interactive in a variety of settings both in and out of the classroom. The guide includes information about the role of the facilitator, as well as game play setup for independent play, small group play, and whole class play. Activity ideas and discussion questions are organized into before, during, and after game play.

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