

Milestone Documents in African American History

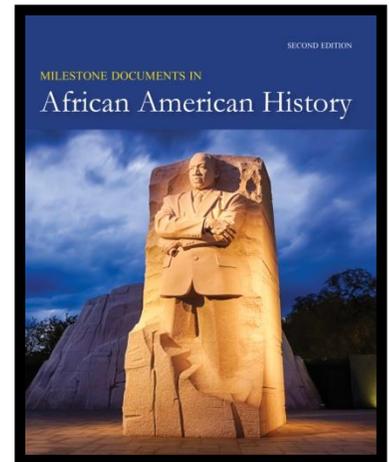
“This new edition includes **124 chronologically arranged full-text primary documents** in African American history, ranging from John Rolfe’s letter of 1619 to the 2017 Report Summary of the Ferguson Police Department Investigation. Entries include the document itself (longer documents are necessarily excerpted), critical analysis by approximately 70 field experts, brief lists of secondary print and web sources, glossaries, timelines, and “Questions for Further Study.” Additional materials include a teachers’ activity guide, 138 photographs and illustrations, and a list of documents by category... **the significant benefit in acquiring this four-volume set lies in the additional materials noted above, particularly the critical analyses.**”

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