

# Gale Scavenger Hunt

## Hispanic Heritage Month

**1** When and why was the **American G.I. Forum** founded? What has it supported, and what is its current status in the United States?

**Answer:** It was founded in 1948 in response to poor treatment of Hispanic American World War II veterans. It remains active in the United States with 6000 members, and has supported civil rights, voter registration, and equal employment opportunities

**Source:** "American G.I. Forum." Civil Rights in the United States, edited by Waldo E. Martin, Jr. and Patricia Sullivan, Macmillan Reference USA, 2000. U.S. History in Context, [http://link.galegroup.com/apps/doc/BT2338230558/UHIC?u=\[INSERT LOC\]&sid=UHIC&xid=f39d4a51](http://link.galegroup.com/apps/doc/BT2338230558/UHIC?u=[INSERT LOC]&sid=UHIC&xid=f39d4a51).

**2** What is a **green-card soldier**? How has this concept impacted military recruitment?

**Answer:** A green-card soldier is a controversial concept—it is a foreign national hoping to speed the naturalization process by joining the military. Some individuals may have been motivated to join the military after George W. Bush announced that some individuals would be eligible for fast-track naturalization.

**Source:** Jones, Adam. "Latinos in the Military, 1946–Present." Americans at War, edited by John P. Resch, vol. 4: 1946–Present, Macmillan Reference USA, 2005, p. 109. U.S. History in Context, [http://link.galegroup.com/apps/doc/CX3427300386/UHIC?u=\[INSERT LOC\]&sid=UHIC&xid=067d6aba](http://link.galegroup.com/apps/doc/CX3427300386/UHIC?u=[INSERT LOC]&sid=UHIC&xid=067d6aba).

**3** During what war was the **Camp Gordon Plan** instituted? Why was the plan developed?

**Answer:** It was instituted during World War II in response to ridicule of and language barriers for soldiers who did not speak English.

**Source:** Young, Ronald. "Latinos, World War I and World War II." Americans at War, edited by John P. Resch, vol. 3: 1901–1945, Macmillan Reference USA, 2005, pp. 94–96. U.S. History in Context, [http://link.galegroup.com/apps/doc/CX3427300261/UHIC?u=\[INSERT LOC\]&sid=UHIC&xid=e274e191](http://link.galegroup.com/apps/doc/CX3427300261/UHIC?u=[INSERT LOC]&sid=UHIC&xid=e274e191).

**4** In 2007 Director **Ken Burns** and PBS took criticism for coverage of **Hispanic** Americans in a documentary. What was the subject of the documentary, and what was the criticism?

**Answer:** The documentary was about World War II. Burns received criticism for his lack of coverage of Latino contributions in the 14 1/2 hour long documentary.

**Source:** Jensen, Elizabeth. "Ken Burns and Hispanic Groups Reach Agreement." New York Times, 11 May 2007, p. E4(L). U.S. History in Context, [http://link.galegroup.com/apps/doc/A163234856/UHIC?u=\[INSERT LOC\]&sid=UHIC&xid=481ce517](http://link.galegroup.com/apps/doc/A163234856/UHIC?u=[INSERT LOC]&sid=UHIC&xid=481ce517).

**5** Search *U.S. History In Context* for coverage of a war, conflict, or military topic of interest to you. Then, use the search within feature to research Hispanic Americans' role in or contributions to that topic. What connections do you find?

**Answer:** Answers will vary.

**Source:** Sources will vary.

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