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THE READING AND WRITING PROJECT

These science and health text sets attempt to represent not just a topic, but an issue within that topic, and sides of that issue. The text sets present multiple perspectives on an issue—as well as multiple levels of texts and multiple modalities. Some articles may need to be adapted for lower level readers, and some website text you may choose to move into Word and reformat so it is easier to read and has fewer distractors/ads. Be sure to capture the whole URL, without spaces for line-breaks, when you seek these online resources. Thanks to all the teachers who shared resources. If you have a bibliography you'd like to share with social studies teachers, please email us at: contact@readingandwritingproject.com.

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Aliens (Grades 5-8)

NASA confirms aliens exist – as bacterium

<http://www.dogonews.com/2010/12/8/nasa-confirms-aliens-exist-right-on-our-planet>

collection of unverified but popular NASA photos

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WILN_Jcg1pc&feature=related

posits that NASA has not returned to the moon due to alien occupation

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iIW2cLOgMI8&feature=related>

NASA history of the 'face on Mars'

http://science.nasa.gov/science-news/science-at-nasa/2001/ast24may_1/

CNN report on government officials reporting UFOs

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZUdf8kRpLWs&feature=related>

scientific explanations for alien abductions – Discovery channel article and video

<http://curiosity.discovery.com/question/explanation-alien-abduction>

unsolved mystery account of kids claiming they saw UFO

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u4uWVn9s4SE>