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Editorial Review

From the Back Cover

A wealth of content, strategies, tools, and resources for teaching K-8 social studies, this text is a must-have resource for your classroom. Written by one of the foremost leaders in Social Studies education, Walter C. Parker, this fourteenth edition of *Social Studies in Elementary Education* presents elements of a strong social studies curriculum, effective teaching methods, and an array of field-tested examples, exercises, activities, and lesson plans. Written with clarity, a friendly tone, and the solid content of previous editions, this new edition includes

- Greater emphasis on teaching English Learners and differentiating instruction for all learners.
- Coverage of current trends including the implications of the global achievement gap and its connection to the 21st Century Skills movement.
- Connections to children's literature, now with icons for quick reference.

About the Author

I teach in the College of Education at the University of Washington in Seattle where I chair the Social Studies Education Program. I study K—12 social studies education and, in particular, the civic development of youth. I'm especially interested in the ways civic education, multicultural education, and global education overlap. My other books are *Renewing the Social Studies Curriculum* (1991); *Educating the Democratic Mind* (1996); *Education for Democracy: Contexts, Curricula, and Assessments* (2002); *Teaching Democracy: Unity and Diversity in Public Life* (2003); and *Social Studies Today: Research & Practice* (2010). I am the editor of the 'Research and Practice' column for *Social Education*, the flagship journal of the National Council for the Social Studies.

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