

Congressional Inquiries that Engage the Next Generation



LEARNING BY
HEARINGS

Learning by Hearings, a civic education program from the Carl Levin Center for Oversight and Democracy, brings legislative oversight to life through interactive, inquiry-based classroom materials that explore historic congressional investigations. The materials engage students in the classroom by inviting them to ask questions, examine materials, and interpret history from their unique points of view.

The resources were designed by teachers, for teachers

- Supported by the State of Michigan and MI Department of Education
- Aligned to the Michigan US History and Civics HSCEs and C3 Framework
- Encourage respectful civil discourse and emphasize critical thinking skills
- Available for download – free of charge!

The classroom materials explore key points in U.S. history



LESSONS: In-depth and inquiry-based educational experiences into congressional investigations and civic concepts



VIDEOS: Made in partnership with Detroit PBS; provide visual support to lesson plans in the classroom



SNAPSHOTS: A high-level look at historic investigations; include audio and Spanish accommodations

Ready-to-explore topics include but are not limited to:

- Defining Congressional Oversight
- General St. Clair's Defeat
- Congress Investigates the KKK
- The Teapot Dome Scandal
- Pecora Investigates the Stock Market Crash
- Joe McCarthy's Abuses of Oversight

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