

# Get More Out of This Book

## Trail of History

Boston is proud of its important part in American history, and the city's brick Freedom Trail connects many notable places. Ask students to name five places in Boston that are related to history. Have any of the students visited Boston and seen any of these places or walked on part of the Freedom Trail?

## The British are Coming!

Choose one of several picture books that illustrate the poem "Paul Revere's Ride" by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow and read it aloud to the class. Lead a class discussion about communication during Revolutionary War times and the current day, talking about how Paul Revere had to ride on horseback to announce the approach of British forces. A map of the ride can be found here: [www.paulreverehouse.org/ride/virtual.html](http://www.paulreverehouse.org/ride/virtual.html)

## Classic Children's Books

*Make Way for Ducklings* by Robert McCloskey was written in 1941. The bronze statues of a mother duck and ducklings was installed in 1987 in Boston's Public Garden as a tribute to the children's book. Ask students if they know the story. Read it aloud to the class, then lead a discussion about children's books that have become classics. Why do students feel that the book is still so admired and celebrated after more than seventy years?

**TEACHER'S GUIDE:** The above discussion questions and activities are from our teacher's guide, which is aligned to the Common Core State Standards for English Language Arts for Grades K to 1. For the complete guide and a list of the exact standards it aligns with, visit our website: [SasquatchBooks.com](http://SasquatchBooks.com)