

Guided Reading: The Revolution Begins

Directions: Use the information in Chapter 4 – Sections 1 & 2 to complete the questions below.
Each question must be answered with a minimum of 2 complete sentences!

Section 1: The Stirrings of Rebellion

- 1) What were the main terms and laws of the Stamp Act of 1765?
- 2) Why did the Stamp Act anger and frustrate many of the American colonists?
- 3) What or who were the “Sons of Liberty”?
- 4) What was the primary protest, of the colonists regarding the Stamp Act?
- 5) What was the “Declaration of Rights and Grievances”?
- 6) How did the colonists gain the repeal of the Stamp Act? Explain.
- 7) What was the “Declaratory Act”?
- 8) What were the “Townshend Acts”?
- 9) Why did the Boston Massacre take place?
- 10) Why were the Townshend Acts repealed?
- 11) What was a “committee of correspondence”?
- 12) Why did the citizens of Boston stage the Boston Tea Party?
- 13) What were the “Intolerable Acts”? and why did they anger the colonists?
- 14) Why did the colonists create or organize the 1st Continental Congress?
- 15) Why did General Gage march troops to Concord? What was the response?

Section II: Ideas Help Start A Revolution:

- 1) What types of issues were dividing the colonial delegates at the second continental Congress?
- 2) What were the results of the 2nd Continental Congress?
- 3) What was the outcome of the Battle of Bunker Hill for both the British and the colonists?
- 4) What was the Olive Branch Petition?
- 5) What were the main ideas of Thomas Payne’s “Common Sense”?
- 6) What ideas did Thomas Jefferson borrow from the English philosopher John Locke when he wrote the Declaration of Independence?
- 7) What were the unalienable rights that Thomas Jefferson set forth in the Declaration of Independence?
- 8) What was a “loyalist”?
- 9) What was a “Patriot”?
- 10) Why did many loyalists feel a special connection to the British government?

