**NB # \_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**The American Revolution**

**The Last Straws…**

* During the 1770s, tension between the British and colonists \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
  + English taxed the colonists again and again…
    - Sugar Act (1764) – \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, wine, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, cloth, coffee, and indigo
    - \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Act (1765) – newspapers, magazines, playing cards
    - Quartering Act (1765) – house and feed \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(enemies)
    - \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Acts (1767) - glass, paint, tea, and cloth
* After the colonists led the **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** (1773), King George decided to **punish** the colonies through the **Intolerable Acts**.

**First Continental Congress**

* **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** (Sept. 1774)
  + Met in Philadelphia
  + All colonies had representatives except Georgia
  + Divided on the issue of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
  + Sent **Declaration of Rights and Grievances** to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
  + Defended colonies’ right to run their own country
  + Supported the protests in Massachusetts (like the Boston Tea Party)

**Battles of Lexington and Concord**

* On April 19, 1775, when British and American soldiers fired shots at each other in Lexington.
  + Soon after the fighting spread to Concord.
  + **The Battles of Lexington and Concord were the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the American Revolution**.

**Second Continental Congress**

* **Second Continental Congress (1776)**
  + Met in Philadelphia again
  + Raised an \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
  + Appointed \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ general
  + Wrote the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Declaration of Independence**

* **Declaration of Independence** (July 4, 1776) ~ written by Thomas Jefferson and declared the colonies separate from Great Britain.
  + Took ideas from **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Important Battles**

* **Battle of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(December 26, 1776)** 
  + Colonial army captured 1000 troops
  + Boosted moral
* **Battle of Saratoga (October 17, 1777)** 
  + **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_!**
  + Convinced the French that the colonists could win
  + France joined the war to help the colonists
  + Caused the British to change their strategy

**The War Ends**

* **Battle of Yorktown (October 19, 1781)** ~ British General Cornwallis \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to the Americans.
  + Americans Win!

**So how did the colonies win?**

* Initially, it looked like the British would win the war.
  + British were well-trained forces and most powerful country in world
  + Colonists were raggedly and poorly trained
* Reasons the colonists won:
  + Americans were more\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
  + Overconfident British generals made mistakes
  + Americans were on their \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
  + Louis XVI of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ helped the Americans

**New Nation**

* After the revolution, the Americans formed a **republic**
  + **Republic = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**.
* **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** ~ 1st government of the United States.
  + Did not have a president, no power to tax, no military
  + \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_!
* **Constitutional Convention of 1787** ~ called to create a new government.
  + Wrote the**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**
  + Added the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
    - Protect rights of people