

Places to Know

The Thirteen Colonies:	Boston
Virginia	Philadelphia
Massachusetts	Independence Hall
New Hampshire	Lexington & Concord
New York	London
Maryland	Yorktown
Connecticut	
Rhode Island	
Delaware	
New Jersey	
North Carolina	
South Carolina	
Pennsylvania	
Georgia	

People to Meet

King George III	Benjamin Franklin
George Washington	Abigail Adams
Paul Revere	Patrick Henry
Thomas Jefferson	Benedict Arnold
Martha Washington	Frederick Douglass
James Madison	Abraham Lincoln
John Adams	

Terms & Topics

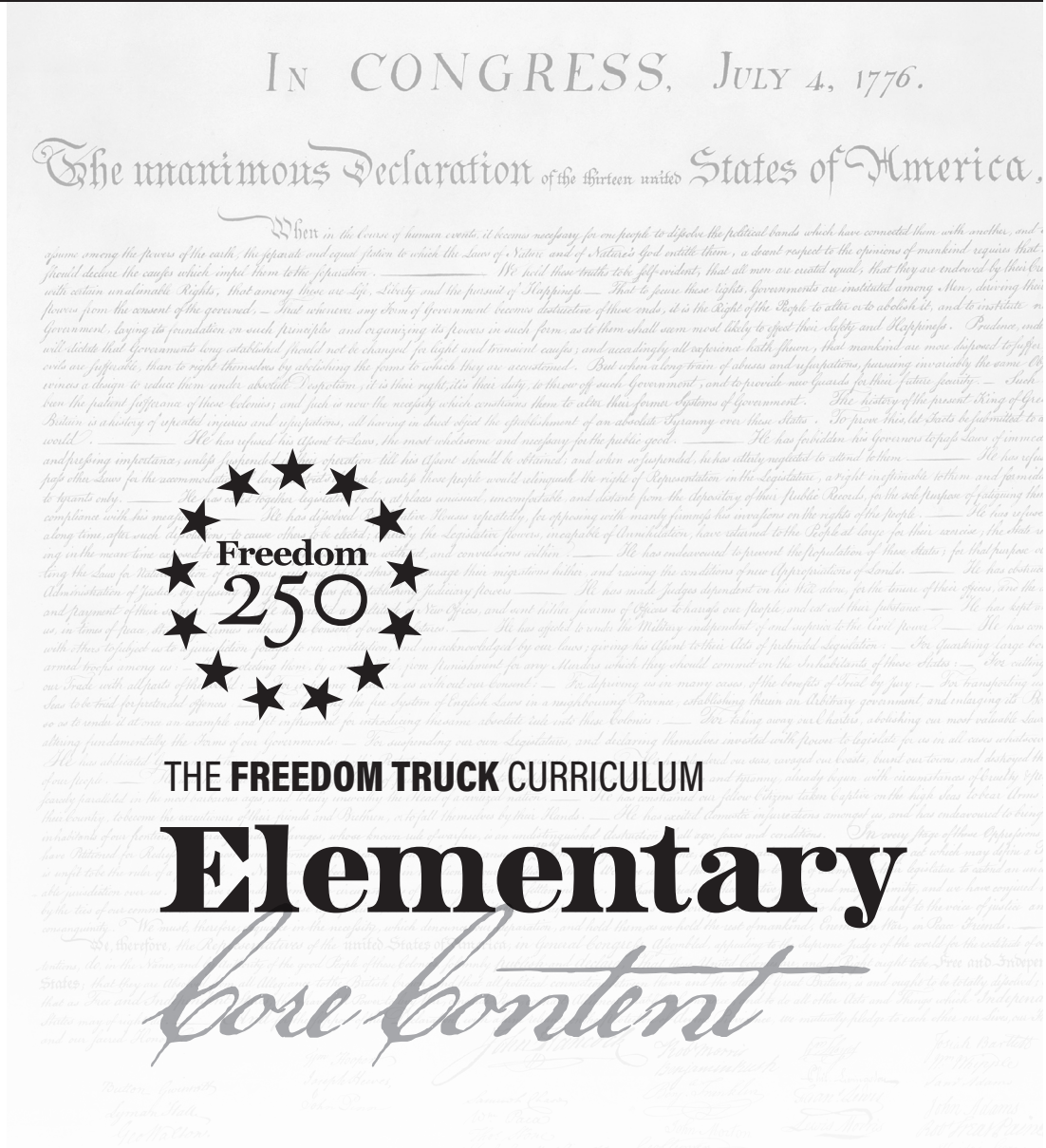
Patriot/Revolutionary	representation
Tory/Loyalist	limited government
Thirteen colonies	separation of powers
self-government	Congress
equality	Supreme Court
liberty	President
slavery	The rule of law
consent of the governed	

Teacher & Parent Resources

- Land of Hope: An Invitation to the Great American Story***, Wilfred McClay
- The Story of the Thirteen Colonies and the Great Republic***, H.A. Guerber
- The American Revolution and Constitution***, Anne Goudvis and Stephanie Harvey
- The Making of the American Mind: The Story of Our Declaration of Independence***, Matthew Spalding
- A Short History of the American Revolution***, James Stokesbury
- The American Book of Fables***, Matthew Mehan
- America: The Last Best Hope, volume 1***, William J. Bennett

Student Resources, Books and Novels

- Liberty! How the Revolutionary War Began***, Lucille Recht Penner
- Meet George Washington***, Joan Heilbroner
- The Declaration of Independence***, Elizabeth Raum
- Meet Thomas Jefferson***, Marvin Barrett
- The Flag We Love***, Pam Munoz Ryan
- The American Revolution***, Bruce Bliven, Jr.
- Liberty or Death: The American Revolution, 1763-1783***, Betsy Maestro
- The United States Constitution***, Liz Sonneborn
- A More Perfect Union: The Story of Our Constitution***, Betsy Maestro
- America’s History: A Tuttle Twins Series of Stories, volume 2***, Connor Boyack
- Heroes of the Revolution***, David Adler
- The Boston Tea Party***, Russell Freedman
- The Winter at Valley Forge: Survival and Victory*** by James E. Knight
- Let It Begin Here! Lexington and Concord***, Dennis Brindell Fradin
- The Fourth of July Story***, Alice Dalgliesh
- The Liberty Bell***, Mary Firestone
- Let’s Celebrate Independence Day***, Barbara DeRubertis
- George Washington***, Ingri and Edgar Parin d’Aulaire
- Sam the Minuteman***, Nathaniel Benchley
- Our Flag***, Carl Memling
- We the People: The Constitution of the United States of America***, Peter Spier
- If You Were There When They Signed the Constitution***, Elizabeth Levy
- Kids Have Questions, Too! What Does the U.S. Constitution Say?***, M.J. Slate
- Guts & Glory: The American Revolution***, Ben Thompson
- Toliver’s Secret***, Esther Wood Brady
- And Then What Happened, Paul Revere?***, Jean Fritz
- Shh! We’re Writing the Constitution***, Jean Fritz



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To Learn by Heart

“Give me liberty, or give me death!”
(Patrick Henry)

“One if by land, two if by sea.”
(from Paul Revere’s Ride by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow)

“The shot heard round the world.”
(from Concord Hymn by Ralph Waldo Emerson)

“We the People”
(from the Preamble to the Constitution)

“All men are created equal”
(from the Declaration of Independence)

“Life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness”
(from the Declaration of Independence)

Primary Sources

The Declaration of Independence

The Northwest Ordinance

The Constitution

The Bill of Rights

The Federalist

Emancipation Proclamation

Events to Remember

Boston Tea Party (December 16, 1773)

Paul Revere’s Ride (April 18, 1775)

Battles of Lexington & Concord (April 19, 1775)

Second Continental Congress (May 10, 1775-March 1, 1781)

Battle of Bunker Hill (June 17, 1775)

Declaration of Independence (July 4, 1776)

Crossing of the Delaware (December 25-26, 1776)

Winter at Valley Forge (1777-1778)

Battle of Yorktown (September 28-October 19, 1781)

Signing of the Constitution (September 17, 1787)

Bill of Rights Ratified (December 15, 1791)

Questions to Consider

Why did the Americans throw tea into Boston Harbor?

What was Paul Revere’s ride?

What happened at the Battle of Lexington and Concord?

What was the ‘shot heard round the world’?

Who was George Washington, and what did he do?

Why did America want to separate from Britain?

What did King George III think of the American colonies?

Why is the Declaration of Independence called our national birth certificate?

Who wrote the Declaration of Independence?

There were 13 original states. How many can you name?

What happened at the Battle of Yorktown?

What is the United States Constitution, and what does it do?

Who is known as the “Father of the Constitution”?

What is the Bill of Rights?

