

## Places to Know

<b>The Thirteen Colonies:</b>	North Carolina	Philadelphia
Virginia	South Carolina	Independence Hall
Massachusetts	Pennsylvania	Lexington & Concord
New Hampshire	Georgia	New York City
New York		London
Maryland	The New World	Paris
Connecticut	Jamestown	Delaware River
Rhode Island	Plymouth	Valley Forge
Delaware	British North America	Yorktown
New Jersey	Boston	
	Bunker Hill	

## People to Meet

King George III	John Adams	Alexander Hamilton
George Washington	Abigail Adams	Samuel Adams
Paul Revere	Nathan Hale	John Hancock
Thomas Jefferson	Thomas Paine	Caesar Rodney
Martha Washington	Benjamin Franklin	Frederick Douglass
James Madison	Benedict Arnold	Abraham Lincoln
Patrick Henry	Richard Henry Lee	

## Terms & Topics

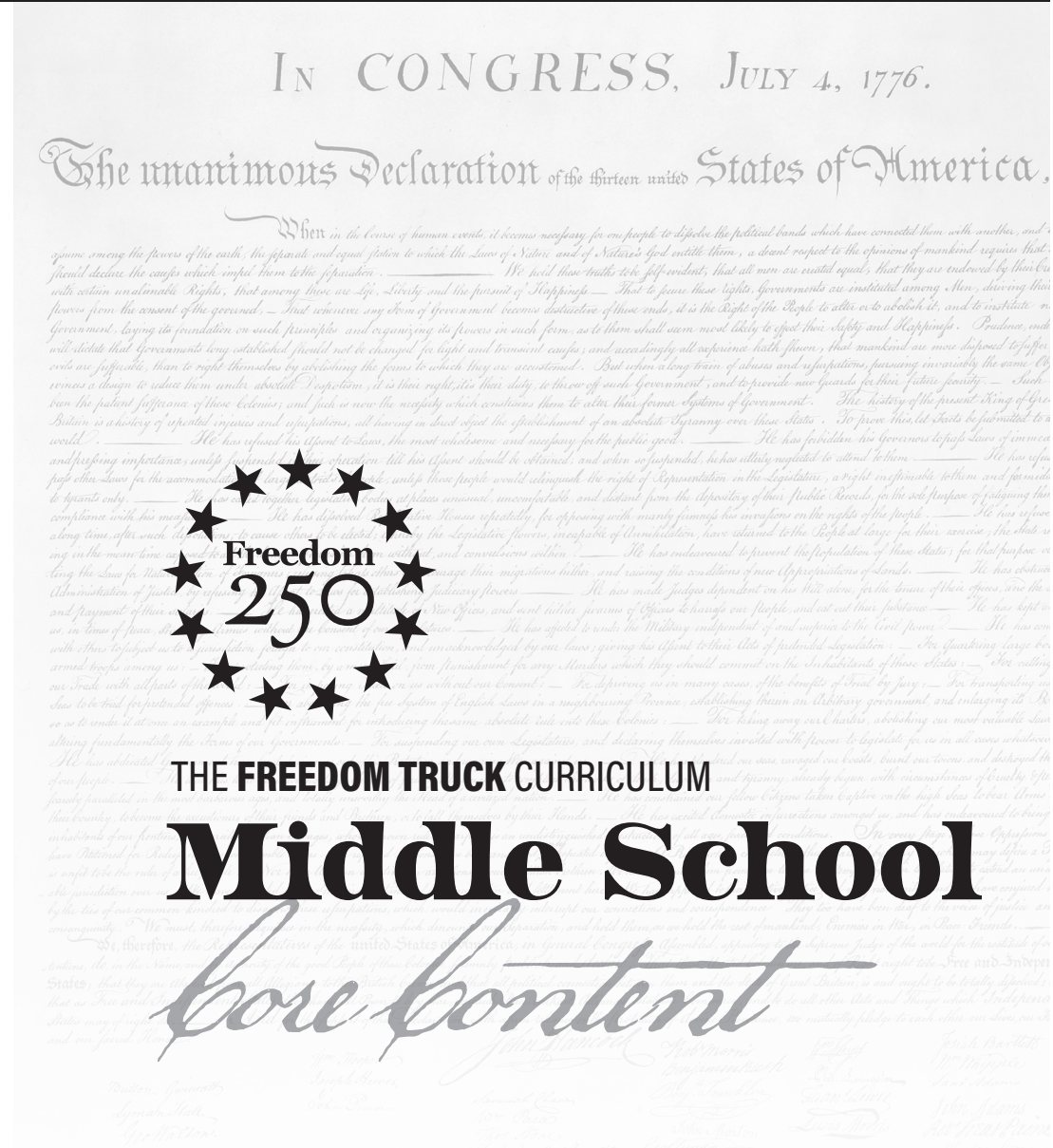
Patriot/Revolutionary	Senate	representation
Tory/Loyalist	judicial power	Articles of Confederation
self-government	executive power	The British Empire
equality	federalism	Parliament
liberty	First Continental Congress	The Framers
slavery	Continental Army	freedom of religion
consent of the governed	Second Continental Congress	freedom of speech
Constitutional Convention	Congress	right to keep and bear arms
Pilgrims	Intolerable Acts	monarchy
limited government	natural rights	slave trade
separation of powers	Brown Bess Musket	abolition
legislative power	Culper Spy Ring	
House of Representatives		

## 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 Glorious Cause**, Robert Middlekauff
- A Teacher’s Guide to Land of Hope**, Wilfred McClay and John McBride
- The American Book of Fables**, Matthew Mehan
- America: The Last Best Hope, Vol. 1**, William J. Bennett

## Student Resources, Books and Novels

- Liberty! How the Revolutionary War Began**, Lucille Recht Penner
- The Declaration of Independence**, Elizabeth Raum
- The American Book of Fables**, Matthew Mehan
- The American Revolution**, Bruce Bliven, Jr.
- The United States Constitution**, Liz Sonneborn
- Land of Hope Young Reader’s Edition, Volume 1**, Wilfred McClay
- America’s History: A Tuttle Twins Series of Stories, volume 2**, Connor Boyack
- Liberty or Death: The American Revolution, 1763-1783**, Betsy Maestro
- Give Me Liberty! The Story of the Declaration of Independence**, Russell Freedman
- Guns for General Washington**, Seymour Reit
- Johnny Tremain**, Esther Hoskins Forbes
- A More Perfect Union: The Story of Our Constitution**, Betsy Maestro
- Great Battles for Boys: The American Revolution**, Joe Giorello
- Leaders & Heroes of the American Revolution**, D. P. Michaels
- Guts & Glory: The American Revolution**, Ben Thompson
- The Notorious Benedict Arnold: A True Story of Adventure, Heroism & Treachery**, Steve Sheinkin
- Time Enough for Drums**, Ann Rinaldi
- April Morning: A Novel**, Howard Fast
- A Young Patriot: The American Revolution as Experienced by One Boy**, Jim Murphy
- The Great Little Madison**, Jean Fritz
- George Washington Book for Curious Kids: Explore the Captivating Life and Lasting Legacy of America’s First President**, Mark Lyllani



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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 hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.”  
(from The Declaration of Independence)

“We the People of the United States, in Order to form a more perfect Union, establish Justice, insure domestic Tranquility, provide for the common defence, promote the general Welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America.”  
(Preamble to the Constitution)

“A republic, if you can keep it.”  
(Benjamin Franklin)

“Four score and seven years ago our fathers brought forth on this continent, a new nation, conceived in Liberty, and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal.”  
(from the Gettysburg Address)

## Primary Sources

The Declaration of Independence

The Northwest Ordinance

The Bill of Rights

The Constitution

*The Federalist*

*Common Sense*

Emancipation Proclamation

“Liberty and Peace,” Phillis Wheatley

The Gettysburg Address

## Events to Remember

Stamp Act (1765)

Battle of Long Island (August 27, 1776)

Quartering Act (1765)

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

Boston Massacre (March 5, 1770)

Battle of Trenton (December 26, 1776)

Boston Tea Party (December 16, 1773)

Battle of Princeton (January 3, 1777)

Coercive Acts (1774)

Battle of Saratoga  
(September 19—October 7, 1777)

First Continental Congress  
(September 5 - October 26, 1774)

Winter at Valley Forge (1777-1778)

Paul Revere’s Ride (April 18, 1775)

French Alliance (February 6, 1778)

Battles of Lexington & Concord  
(April 19, 1775)

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

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

Treaty of Paris (September 3, 1783)

Battle of Bunker Hill (June 17, 1775)

Constitutional Convention  
(May 25-September 17, 1787)

Olive Branch Petition (July 5, 1775)

Signing of the Constitution  
(September 17, 1787)

Royal Proclamation of Rebellion  
(August 23, 1775)

Constitution Takes Effect (March 4, 1789)

Decision for Independence (July 2, 1776)

Bill of Rights Ratified (December 15, 1791)

Declaration of Independence  
(July 4, 1776)

## Questions to Consider

*What were the first British settlements that led to the American colonies?*

*Why did British settlers come to America?*

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

*What happened at the Boston Tea Party and why?*

*What happened at the Battle of Lexington and Concord?*

*Why did the American colonists fight the British?*

## Questions to Consider *continued*

*What was the ‘shot heard round the world’?*

*What happened at Bunker Hill?*

*What did George Washington do to secure American independence?*

*What did King George III think of the American colonies?*

*Why did the American colonies send representatives to the Second Continental Congress?*

*What does the Declaration of Independence mean when it says that “all men are created equal”?*

*Who wrote the Declaration of Independence?*

*What happened at the Battle of Yorktown?*

*What is the aim of the United States Constitution?*

*What is self-government?*

*Why is the rule of law important?*

*The U.S. Constitution starts with the words “We the People.” Why?*

*Where do the powers of government come from?*

*Who is the sovereign in the United States?*

*Why is James Madison known as the “Father of the Constitution”?*

*What is federalism?*

*What does the Bill of Rights do and why?*

*What are the five freedoms protected in the First Amendment of the Bill of Rights?*