

Guided Notes SS Week 3 9/8-9/12

Section # _____

Ch. 3 "The American Revolution"

Name: _____

Coming Together:

What were the colonists feeling about Britain's treatment of them?

The colonists were unhappy. When the British closed the port of Boston, they knew they needed to work together.

In 1774, which colony was the only one not to attend the meeting in Philadelphia? Georgia

What is a congress?

A congress is a group of people who meet to discuss important issues or problems and make decisions.

What did the First Continental Congress meet about?

They talked about all the problems the colonies were having with the British government.

The First Continental Congress

Name three important men who attended the F.C.C.:

1. George Washington
2. Patrick Henry
3. John Adams

What were three things the colonists agreed to do after sending the petition to King George III?

Each colony would set up a militia to be used in emergencies. The colonies would start another boycott of trade with Britain. The delegates would meet again if the king did not respond in a way that pleased them.

"The Shot Heard 'Round the World"

Why were colonial soldiers called Minutemen?

They were called Minutemen because they could be ready to fight in a hurry.

Why did they call it "the shot heard round the world"?

It was called this because it was the start of the American Revolution. The Revolution and its outcome would change the power Britain held, as well as other countries around the world.

The Battles of Lexington and Concord began the

The American Revolution

Paul Revere's Midnight Ride

Paul Revere began his ride on April 18, 1775.

Where was he riding to? Lexington

Why was he riding there?

He was riding to warn Sam Adams and John Hancock that British soldiers were coming to arrest them.

Who wrote the poem called "Paul Revere's Ride"?

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

MONDAY

The Second Continental Congress

Where did the delegates meet? Philadelphia
What actions did the colonists decide to take?

- Break away from Great Britain and start their own country.
- Send a declaration to the king to announce their plans and explain their reasons for breaking away.
- Put George Washington in charge of the Continental army

Taking Sides:

Colonists fell into two main groups: Patriots and Loyalists

Patriots

The Patriots wanted the colonies to become a country separate from Great Britain. They were willing to go to war against the British to gain independence.

Loyalists

The colonists who remained loyal to the king were called Loyalists, or Tories. They did not want to go to war. They felt safer under British rule.

TUESDAY

Writing the Declaration

Who was on the committee to write the letter to the king?

Benjamin Franklin, John Adams, Roger Sherman, Robert R. Livingston, and Thomas Jefferson.

Who did they decide should write the letter?

Thomas Jefferson

What was the letter called?

The Declaration of Independence

The First to Sign

Who was the first to sign the Declaration of Independence?

John Hancock

What was this person known for?

Signing his name very large

What is treason? Treason is the crime of trying to hurt your government, by selling its secrets or fighting against it.

Independence Day

What date did the Continental Congress approve the Declaration of Independence? July 4, 1776

The 13 colonies were now the United States of America.

Freedom for Some

How were Native Americans treated during this time?

They were left out of the declaration. Many colonists thought they were members of other nations and enemies.

How were women treated during this time?

The Founding Fathers did not think of women as equals to men. The Declaration of Independence does not talk about rights for women.

How were people of color and enslaved people treated during this time?

"All men are equal" did not include enslaved people.

Did the language used in the Declaration of Independence match how the founding fathers treated these people groups?

It did not match how these groups were treated.