

**Unit 1 Lesson 8: Why Did American Colonist Want to Free Themselves from Britain? What Basic Ideas about Government Did the Founders put in the Declaration of Independence?**

<p>What was Britain’s new policy towards the colonies?</p>	<p>(Lecture/Reading Notes)</p> <p>_____ caused change in Britain’s policies towards Am. Colonies?</p> <p><b>British vs.</b> _____</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Old World (_____ Year’s War)</li> <li>• New World (French &amp; _____ War)</li> </ul> <p>Time for the _____ to pay their fair share of \$\$\$\$</p>
<p>Why did the colonists resist British control?</p>	<p><u>New Policies/Consequences</u></p> <p>1) Western _____ closed to settlement</p> <p>2) _____ Act 1765</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•lack _____ of the governed</li> <li>•taxation w/o _____</li> <li>•Sons of _____ (_____ Adams)</li> <li>•Stamp Act _____ (organize resistance)</li> </ul> <p>3) _____ Act 1765 (Petition of Right)</p> <p>4) Writs of Assistance (new powers to _____ &amp; seize colonial _____)</p>
<p>How did the colonists organize to resist British control?</p>	<p>_____ <b>Massacre 1770</b></p> <p>*Convinced many Americans that the British were prepared to use military &amp; _____ force.</p> <p>5) _____ Act 1773</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Boston _____ Party</li> </ul> <p>6) Intolerable Acts (Boston under _____ law)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Committees of _____ (publicize opposition &amp; coordinate resistance)</li> <li>•First _____ Congress (ban trade with Britain to force policy changes)</li> </ul> <p>7) British arrest leaders for defiance</p> <p><b>America’s Most Wanted: John _____ &amp; Samuel _____</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Minutemen</li> <li>•April 19, 17____ “shot heard round the _____”</li> </ul>
<p>What was the purpose of the Declaration of Independence?</p>	<p><b>Declaration of Independence</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Drafted by Thomas _____ (edited by Benjamin Franklin, John Adams and the _____ Continental Congress)</li> <li>•denounced monarchs <u>political authority</u> “All Men are Created Equal”, therefore, the king has no _____ right to rule.</li> <li>•beliefs (natural rights philosophy) natural rights are “self-_____” &amp; unalienable!</li> <li>•grievances against King</li> <li>•declaring independence (Pledging their _____, _____, and Sacred _____)</li> </ul>
<p>What were the main ideas and arguments of the Declaration of Independence?</p>	

What impact did the experience of the American Revolution have on American constitutionalism?

Interpreting Photos: draft a brief answer to the photos on the following pages:

On a separate sheet of paper: Complete Reviewing & Using the Lesson Ques. 1-5 page 46.

**Impact of the American Revolution on American constitutionalism?**

**Abuses of power by the British government made Americans \_\_\_\_\_ of strong central government & strong \_\_\_\_\_ power.**

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