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**FOUNDING A NEW NATION: THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION**

The questions below correspond to many of the documents in your DBQ packet. Please answer them on a separate sheet of paper.

DOCUMENT 1: The American Revolution Timeline Pg. 3

DOCUMENT 2: What were the Causes of the American Revolution Pg. 4-6

1. Research: Refer to Amendment 4 of the United States Constitution to find the procedures to be followed in obtaining a search warrant. How did writs of assistance differ? Why did the British insist they were necessary in the period after 1763?
2. In the charter of 1609, imports and exports were not to be taxed by Parliament; the charter of 1676 provides that exports to England from the colony were to be taxed. Can you explain? What were the purposes of the Navigation Acts?
3. How can you explain the colonial objections to revenue taxes, but not to taxes meant to regulate trade?

DOCUMENT 3: A Letter to Benjamin Franklin Pg. 6

DOCUMENT 4: The Stamp Act Parliamentary Testimony Pg 7-8

1. List the grievances used by Franklin against the British. What do they have in common? How do they differ?
2. What does Franklin's speech reveal about the degree of anger and mistrust of the colonist towards the British?
3. How might a parliamentary member responded to Franklin's testimony?
4. Explain why taxation was considered such an important issue.

DOCUMENT 5: The Boston Massacre: March 5th 1770 Pg. 9

DOCUMENT 6: Paul Revere Engraving of Boston Massacre Pg. 10

DOCUMENT 7: Diary of John Adams a His Involvement in the Boston Massacre Trial Pg. 11

DOCUMENT 8: Tea Act of 1773 by Heather Waters Gilder Lehrman Institute Pg. 11

Using the information provided in the document and your knowledge of history, please answer the questions listed below:

1. What is significant about the tree in the background?
2. What typical colonial punishment is being administered in this cartoon?
3. What is the tax collector being forced to drink and why is that significant?
4. Why were colonists angry about the tax on tea and other products?
5. As this cartoon was published in a colonial newspaper, how might it have been considered propaganda?

DOCUMENT 9: Letter to Reverend Samson Occum From Phillis Wheatley Pg. 12

DOCUMENT 10: Remember the Ladies Pg. 13

1. Was Abigail Adams eager for independence from Britain?
2. That does she hope win happen when independence is declared?
3. That does she threaten to do if women are not given representation in the new laws of the land?
4. That does John Adams mean by Despotism of the Petticoat!
5. Does John seem to take the suggestions of his wife seriously?
6. Besides women, what other groups does John Adams claim are demanding more freedoms from the government?
7. What do these groups have in common with women?
8. From reading John Adams' letter to his wife, do you think he would fight hard for the rights of women?
9. What do these letters tell us about the personal relationship between John and Abigail Adams?

DOCUMENT 11: Declaration of Independence A portrait by John Trumball Pg. 14

1. To whom is the Committee presenting the Declaration of Independence?
2. Who are the five men standing near the center of the portrait?
3. In the actual portrait Jefferson is seen wearing a bright red vest while the other men wear darker colors. Why do you think Trumball would show Jefferson this way?
4. Based on the painting and your knowledge of Revolutionary American history, why might John Adams especially want this portrait to be hung in the nation's capitol?

DOCUMENT 12: Thomas Paine Common Sense Pg. 15

DOCUMENT 13: The True Interest of America Impartially Started 1776 Pg. 16

DOCUMENT 14: Washington’s Letter to Continental Congress Pg. 17

1. What do you think the Continental Congress needed to provide for the army that would be a "great and capital change"?
2. What would happen if Congress didn't provide additional support to the army?
3. Why was maintaining the army important?
4. According to this letter, who is being blamed for the army's inactivity?
5. Based on this letter, how would you characterize Washington's feelings at that time?
6. How would you respond if you were in the Continental Congress?

DOCUMENT 15: Diary of Albigence Waldo, Surgeon at Valley Forge, 1777 Pg. 17

DOCUMENT 16: Account by Benedict Arnold to explain his reason for treason Pg. 18

DOCUMENT 17: African American Slaves role in Independence Pg. 18

1. Summarize the physical and economic condition that Mr. Kitridge finds himself in by 1806.
2. What does Kitridge's statement reveal about the conditions for free blacks in America following the war? What does it reveal about the promise of freedom in return for military service?
3. Based upon your broader knowledge of American history., is the treatment of Mr. Kitridge, more the norm or the exception for African-American veterans following a war? Provide evidence to support your assertions.