# THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

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#### **Outcomes:** Students will

- A. describe the theory and practice of mercantilism, and explain why Americans resented it
- B. explain why Britain adopted tighter control and taxation of the colonies after the French and Indian War
- C. describe methods of colonial resistance to British taxation, including tea
- D. analyze how this resistance led to war
- E. weigh prospects of victory for both sides
- F. Explain how the war divided American society.
- G. Describe the economic and political circumstances that impacted each side in the war.
- H. Identify the key campaigns in the war.
- I. Explain the significance of the Franco-American alliance and of foreign aid in general.
- J. Analyze the reasons for the British defeat in light of their significant advantages.
- K. Explain why many people considered the peace treaty a generous settlement.

### **Resources**

A. text, chapters 7 & 8

#### **Outline**

- I. Growing Tensions
  - A. Proclamation of 1763
  - B. The Mercantile System
  - C. Paying for the war, & resistance
    - 1. Navigation Acts
    - 2. taxation w/o representation
      - a) Sugar Act
      - b) Quartering Act
      - c) Stamp Act & response
      - d) Townshend Acts
        - (1) Tea Act & response
        - (2) Boston Massacre
        - (3) committees of correspondence
      - e) Tea monopoly & Boston Tea Party
    - 3. Intolerable Acts
  - D. First Continental Congress
  - E. first clash
  - F. prospects for victory by both sides
- II. The Revolution
  - A. Leadership: George Washington
  - B. Early battles
  - C. Independence
  - D. Patriots & Loyalists
  - E. key campaigns
    - 1. New England
    - 2. middle states
    - 3. frontier, Southwest, & naval battles

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- F. the Treaty of Paris (1783)
  - specific results
  - 2. long term impact
- G. The Revolution in retrospect

## Vocabulary

**Chapter 7** John Hancock Lord North George Grenville Samuel Adams **Charles Townshend** John Adams Crispus Attucks Marquis de Lafayette King George III Baron von Steuben

mercantilism "No taxation without representation." nonimportation agreement "royal veto" internal/external taxation "virtual" representation boycott Board of Trade Sons of Liberty Quebec Act

Navigation Acts Declaratory Act First Continental Congress Sugar Act **Townshend Acts Quartering Act** Boston Massacre The Association Stamp Act committees of correspondence Hessians admiralty courts Boston Tea Party Loyalists Stamp Act Congress

Chapter 8 George Washington William Howe Nathaniel Greene Benedict Arnold

Intolerable Acts

"Continental"

John Burgovne Charles Cornwallis Thomas Paine Barry St. Leger George Rogers Clark Richard Henry Lee Horatio Gates John Paul Jones Thomas Jefferson Admiral de Grasse Patrick Henry Comte de Rochambeau

John Jay

mercenaries natural rights privateering Second Continental Congress Common Sense

Declaration of Independence

Loyalists/Tories Patriots/Whigs Treaty of Paris of 1763