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Discontent in the British Colonies*

Question # 1: Why did the British want to tax the American colonies?

Question # 2: What types of taxes did they impose? Mention three.

a:

b:

c:

Question # 3: What does "No taxation without representation!" mean?

Question # 4: What was the "Boston Massacre"? Was it really a *massacre*?

Question # 5: Was the "Boston Tea Party" really a party? What happened? Why?

Question # 6: What was the "Continental Congress"?

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The American Revolution*

Question # 1: What were "Minutemen"? Why were they called by that name?

Question # 2: Who rode his horse from Boston to Concord yelling: "The British are coming!"?

Question # 3: Who became commander of the whole colonial army?

Question # 4: What did Thomas Paine argue in his pamphlet called *Common Sense*?

Question #5: Who wrote the first draft of the Declaration of Independence?

Question #6: What was the final big battle that ended the Revolutionary War? What is the name of the battle and where was it located?

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The American Constitution*

Question # 1: What is a *constitution*? Find the definition given in your textbook and write it down.

Question # 2: What is a *federal government*? Find the definition given in your textbook and write it down.

Question # 3: What is a *delegate*?

Question # 4: What did the delegates to the Constitutional Convention in Philadelphia in 1787 discuss?

Question #5: Each state could elect how many senators to the Senate?

Question #6: How many Representatives would a state for every 30,000 people?

Write in the correct answer: _____ Representative for every 30,000 people.

Question #7: What do we call the Senate *and* the House of Representatives?

Check the correct answer:

Parliament _____

House of Commons _____

House of Lords _____

Congress _____

Question #8: What name was given to the *three* branches of government?

Question #9: What do we call the list of powers that the government can *never* use against the people of the United States?

The Bill of _____

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The First American President (1789-1797)*

Question # 1: Who was the first president of the United States?

Question # 2: Who was his vice-president?

Question # 3: What two states did Washington convince to give him a little bit of land to build a new capital city?

Question # 4: What was the new capital city called?

Question #5: During Washington's presidency, the first stones were laid for what eventually would become the presidential mansion? What do we call that mansion today?

Question #6: George Washington did not want to be called "His Exalted High Mightiness" or "His Highness the President." He wanted to be addressed simply as:

Question #7: George Washington is one of America's greatest heroes. Give five reasons why he is held in the highest esteem:

a

b.

c.

d.

e.