

American Revolution and British North America Questions

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1. Why did Britain feel the Americans should be subject to tax increases?
2. How did the Americans feel about this tax increase?
3. What was the Sugar Act of 1764 and why was it unpopular with the Americans?
4. What was the Stamp Act of 1765 and why was it unpopular with the Americans?
5. Explain the phrase, “taxation without representation”.
6. What were the Townshend Acts? Which tax was kept in place when the others were abolished?
7. Who were the “Sons of Liberty” and what actions did they take to protest against British tax policies?

8. Explain the Boston Tea Party and what people at this event were protesting against.

9. Explain the four main acts that became known as the “Intolerable Acts” which pushed the Americans closer to a revolution.

10. What did the Quebec Act do? Why did it anger the Americans?

11. In what ways were the Thirteen Colonies not united? What main cause united the Thirteen Colonies?

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12. How did the American Revolutionary War start? Do you think the Americans were justified in starting a war with the British? Why or why not?

13. Why did the Americans think that attacking Quebec would be a good idea? What was the result of the Battle of Quebec?

14. What was the Declaration of Independence and what did it propose?