

The American Revolution Begins Quiz Study Guide

Name _____ Period _____ Date _____

Circle the correct answer:

1. What did Paul Revere do immediately before the Battles of Lexington and Concord?

- A. He was not involved because he was afraid of being caught
- B. He dressed as a British soldier to spy on the British and learn their plans
- C. He warned Lexington and other towns that the British were coming
- D. He shot British Lieutenant Smith at the North Bridge in Concord

2. Which is true concerning the “shot heard round the world” at Lexington?

- A. Nobody knows who fired the first shot
- B. The Americans definitely fired first
- C. The British definitely fired first
- D. A hunter in the woods fired a shot and it was mistaken to be the first shot

3. Where was the first battle of the American Revolution?

- A. Lexington
- B. Bunker Hill
- C. Concord
- D. Yorktown

4. In what city did the First Continental Congress meet?

- A. Philadelphia
- B. Boston
- C. New York
- D. Williamsburg

5. What was the name given to militia who, in theory, could be ready to fight at a minute’s notice?

- A. Artisans
- B. Infantry
- C. Cannoneers
- D. Minutemen

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6. Who stated in the Virginia Assembly, "I know not what course others may take, but as for me, give me liberty or give me death!"

- A. George Washington
- B. Benjamin Franklin
- C. Patrick Henry
- D. Thomas Jefferson

7. To what town did British soldiers march to on April 19, 1775 because they had heard guns and gunpowder were stored there by the American militia?

- A. Lexington
- B. Boston
- C. Concord
- D. Yorktown

8. To what town did the British have to retreat after they were fired at by American militiamen hiding between trees and stone walls?

- A. Lexington
- B. Boston
- C. Concord
- D. Yorktown

9. What was the name of the army that George Washington was chosen to lead?

- A. Army of the Potomac
- B. Army of Northern Virginia
- C. Continental Army
- D. Army of Massachusetts

10. In July 1775 while the Americans were raising an army to fight the British, what document did they send to King George III stating that he should protect his loyal American subjects, and that he should remove British troops from America?

- A. Townshend Act
- B. Olive Branch Petition
- C. Coercive Act
- D. Declaration of Independence

11. On a separate sheet of paper write your name and section and answer the following question, using at least three examples:

If it is not right to take up weapons against our country today, why was it right for American colonists to take up weapons against their fellow countrymen, the British?

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Answers:

1. C. He warned Lexington and other towns that the British were coming
2. A. Nobody knows who fired the first shot
3. A. Lexington
4. A. Philadelphia
5. D. Minutemen
6. C. Patrick Henry
7. C. Concord
8. B. Boston
9. C. Continental Army
10. B. Olive Branch Petition