

7.5: A Pep Talk and Surprise Victories

Read Section 7.5 and answer the questions below.

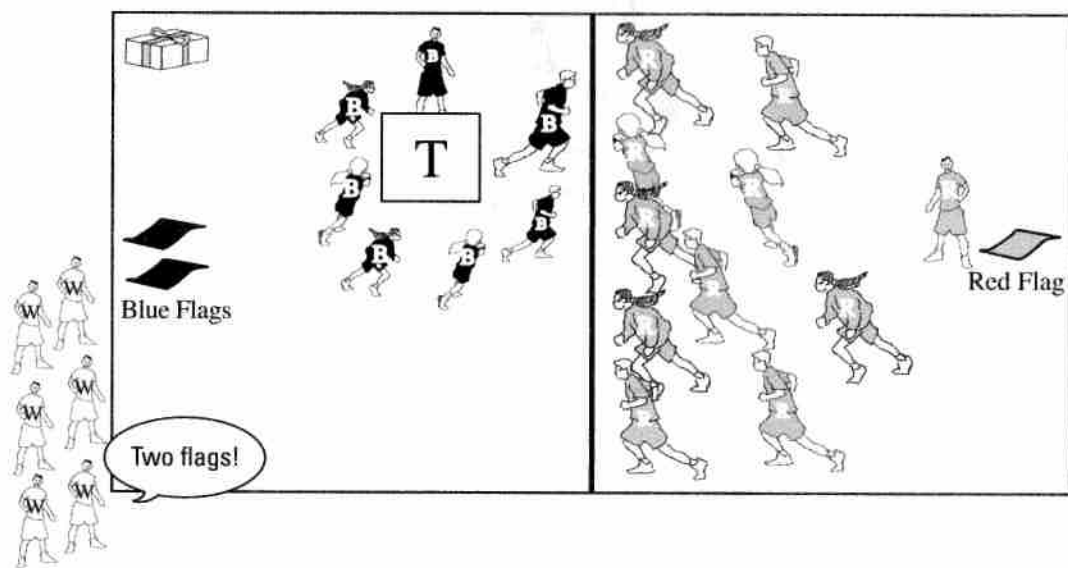
In your own words, what was the message of Thomas Paine's pamphlet *The Crisis*?
The message of Thomas Paine's pamphlet The Crisis was to remind Americans that real patriots hold onto their beliefs, even in hard times.

How were the Americans able to win such an overwhelming victory at Trenton?
Washington had his troops cross the Delaware River on Christmas night and take the enemy by surprise early the next morning.

How did victories at Trenton and Princeton affect American morale?
Victories at Trenton and Princeton showed that the Americans could beat the British and their allies, and greatly boosted American morale.

Complete the annotations for the map of Round 3 of Capture the Flag.

The teacher gives the Blue team a pep talk and encourages them to keep fighting, just like...*Thomas Paine's pamphlet The Crisis encouraged Americans to hold onto their beliefs, even during hard times.*



The teacher adds a second Blue flag. This makes it harder for the Red team to win and boosts the morale of the Blue team, just like...*American victories at Trenton and Princeton showed the British that it would be harder than they expected to win the war, and boosted the morale of the Americans.*

7.6: The Tide Begins to Turn

Read Section 7.6 and answer the questions below.

As the war progressed, how did Washington revise his military strategy?
Washington avoided large battles that might put his army at risk. Instead, he fought a defensive war that was designed to tire out the British.

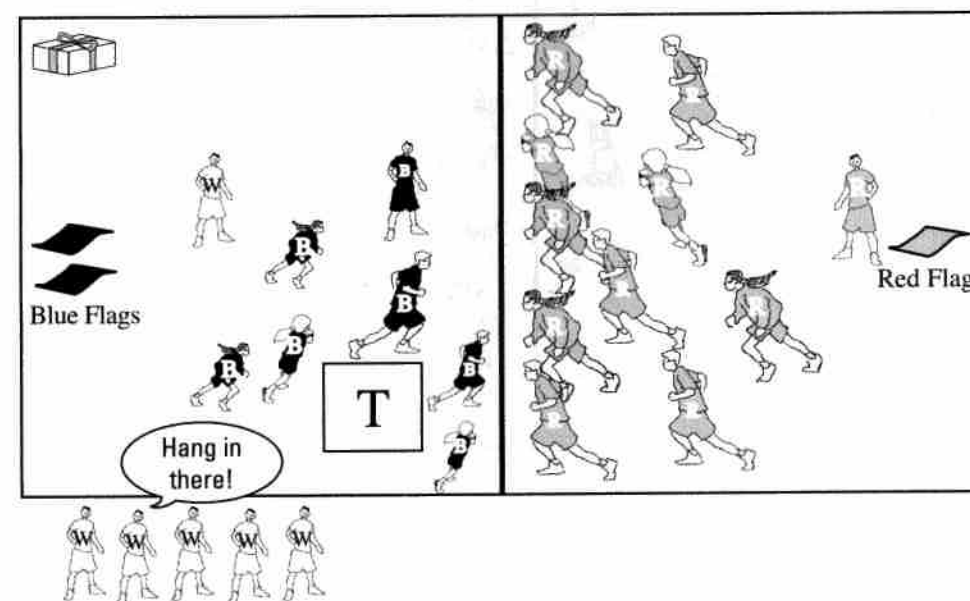
Why did the American cause look more hopeful after the Battle of Saratoga?
After the Battle of Saratoga, the French agreed to become allies of the Americans.

Name two foreigners who were present with the Americans at Valley Forge, and explain how they helped the Americans.

- 1. Baron Friedrich von Steuben of Prussia continually drilled the American soldiers.*
- 2. The Marquis de Lafayette of France used his own money to buy warm clothes for the soldiers.*

Complete the annotations for the map of Round 4 of Capture the Flag.

The teacher tells the Blue team that they do not have to capture the Red flag to win. Instead, they must keep the Red team from capturing all the Blue flags, just like...*Washington told Congress that he would fight a defensive war to try to tire out the British.*



The teacher has one volunteer from the White team join the Blue team, just like...*some Europeans, like von Steuben and Lafayette, aided the American cause.*

The teacher tells the Blue team that if they can hold on for one more round, they may receive help, just like...*after the American victory at the Battle of Saratoga, the French became American allies.*