

American Revolution Newspaper Project

Due Date: A-day projects are due on November 4, 2009.

B-day projects are due on November 5, 2009.

Goal: Your objective is to create one section of a Colonial American Newspaper (**your test grade**) from either the Patriot or Loyalist point of view. Each member of your group will be responsible for his or her own section. These sections will then be combined to create a newspaper representing either the Patriot or Loyalist point of view.

Roles: Each newspaper will consist of four sections. Your group will decide who is responsible for each section. The section you are responsible for will be your test grade. These are the sections that will be included in your newspaper.

- A. Front page – This is the most important part of the project. It must include articles over the **Declaration of Independence, Patriots and Redcoats, and the Treaty of Paris of 1783**. In addition, you must choose one additional topic from the list below. Each article must include at least one illustration appropriate to the time period.
 - a. Patriots & Redcoats (who they were, strengths & weaknesses, etc)
 - b. Declaration of Independence
 - c. Treaty of Paris of 1783
 - d. Crossword or word find using key people, events, and terms from the American Revolution
 - e. Second Continental Congress
- B. Causes of the Revolution – Your section must contain articles over at least four of the following events from the list below. You must also have at least one illustration for each event.
 - a. Boston Tea Party
 - b. Coercive/Intolerable Acts
 - c. Boston Massacre
 - d. Quartering Act
 - e. Stamp Act
 - f. Townshend Acts
 - g. Proclamation of 1763
 - h. Writs of Assistance
 - i. Common Sense
 - j. First Continental Congress
 - k. Second Continental Congress
- C. Key Leaders – Your section must contain articles over at least four of the following leaders. You must choose two British and two American Leaders. You also must include an illustration of each of the leaders you chose.
 - a. King George III
 - b. Paul Revere
 - c. George Washington
 - d. Benjamin Franklin
 - e. Thomas Jefferson

- f. John Adams
 - g. General Charles Cornwallis
 - h. General John Burgoyne
 - i. General Benedict Arnold
 - j. Lord Frederick North
 - k. King Louis XVI
 - l. Marquis de Lafayette
 - m. Thomas Paine
- D. **Major Battles** – Your section must contain articles over **Lexington & Concord, Saratoga, and Yorktown**. In addition you must choose one additional battle from the list to cover. You must also include a map that indicates the location of and the winner of each battle.
- a. Lexington & Concord
 - b. Bunker Hill
 - c. Valley Forge
 - d. Saratoga
 - e. Yorktown
 - f. Vincennes
 - g. Battle of Cowpens
 - h. Battle of Kings Mountain
 - i. Important naval battles

Procedures:

- A. Each article must be typed and saved as an individual word document. Four articles means four separate files.
- B. It should contain not only the text, but your illustration as well.
- C. It should be checked for spelling, capitalization, punctuation errors.
- D. It should be typed using the Times, New Roman Font set to a size of 12 point. Exceptions may be made for article titles and illustration captions.
- E. These files can be either mailed to me or brought on a usb flash drive.
- F. If you do not have a computer at home, remember that we have computers here on campus that can be used before or after school to complete this assignment.
- G. Points will be deducted from your overall grade if these instructions are not followed.

Grading Rubric

You will receive a grading rubric early next week that will contain the guidelines for how your articles will be graded.

