American Revolution Newspaper

Task

The American Revolution was a difficult time in American history. Colonists fought against their own government to secure independence in order to create the United States of America. Your task will be to design a newspaper that highlights several important aspects of the American Revolution. Your stories should be based on facts from researching this time period.

Process

Review the criteria for each section below and write a story for your newspaper after researching the various topics. Your stories will be entered into the <u>newspaper template</u> provided.

Revolutionary War Battle Story

Choose one of the major battles of the Revolutionary War and write a summary that includes:

- answers to the 5 "W" questions (who, what, why, when, where)
- a description of the action
- key participants from the American and British side
- date and specific location of the battle
- which side won the battle

Locate a photo and write a caption that will describe the battle.

Suggested battles:

Battle of Augusta Siege of Savannah Battle of Kettle Creek

Battle of the Rice Boats

Revolutionary War Leader Story

Choose one of the leaders of the Revolutionary War and write a summary that includes:

- which side the leader supported
- a summary of their major accomplishments
- a description of how their life ended

Locate a photo and write a caption that will describe the leader.

Suggested Leaders:

Lyman Hall Button Gwinnett George Walton Elijah Clarke

Austin Dabney Nancy Hart Andrew Pickens

Unsung Hero Story

Choose a group or an individual that played a key role during the American Revolution that may not have received the attention they deserved. Describe the key people that were involved and any accomplishments they are remembered for.

Suggested topics:

Women Native Americans African Americans

Revolutionary War Facts

Based on your research, choose ten facts about the war that you think others may learn from and find very interesting. Your facts should be written in complete sentences and provide specific details that carefully describe your selection.

Revolutionary War Quotations

Choose two quotations and their authors that will be remembered during the American Revolution.

Free Choice Option

Choose one topic of your choice to research. You may choose to write a summary of your topic or include a photo with a caption to describe your topic.

Suggested topics:

music uniforms flags weapons

Resources

The following links are only suggested as a starting point for your research. You are <u>not</u> required to select your information from one of the links below. You are welcome to do an Internet search for your topic, consult the resources in our library, and/or utilize your social studies textbook.

Yahooligans American Revolution

Timeline of the American Revolution

Deborah Sampson: Revolutionary War Soldier

Women's Military History

American Revolution Collection

Chronicle of the Revolution

Loyalist and British Songs and Poetry

Uniforms of the American Revolution

Weapons Used During the American Revolution
Virtual Marching Tour of the American
Revolution

The History Place American Revolution
Little Known Facts About the American
Revolutionary War

Spy Letters of the American Revolution
The Price They Paid

Music of the Revolutionary War

Weapons of the American Revolution

American Revolution Pictures

Famous Obituaries of Revolutionary War People

Voices of the American Revolution

Quotes of Our Founding Fathers

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Evaluation

Revolutionary War Battle Story /20 points

- answers the 5 "W" questions (who, what, why, when, where)
- includes a description of the action
- includes key participants from the American and British side
- includes date and specific location of the battle
- includes which side won the battle
- uses correct grammar and spelling

Revolutionary War Leader Story /20 points

- includes which side the leader supported
- includes a summary of their major accomplishments
- describes how their life ended
- uses correct grammar and spelling

Revolutionary War Unsung Hero Story /20 points

- includes a description of the accomplishments of an individual or a group that did not have a major role during the war
- uses correct grammar and spelling

Revolutionary War Facts

/20 points

 includes ten complete sentences that provide specific details about events that happened

- during this time period
- uses correct grammar and spelling

Revolutionary War Quotations

- includes two appropriate quotations and their authors
- uses correct grammar and spelling

Photos and Captions

/5 points

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- photos and captions enhance the news story
- uses correct grammar and spelling

Free Choice Option

/10 points

- includes a summary of a topic or a photo with a caption describing the topic
- uses correct grammar and spelling

Total Score

/100 points

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Conclusion

Congratulations, your published newspaper has provided the colonists information about a variety of events that occurred during the American Revolution. The events you detailed provide the highlights of a very important time in American history. In addition, you have strengthened your research, writing, and technology skills.