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AMERICAN REVOLUTION – BEGINNING AND DECLARATION

As you read sections 1 and 2 of your American Revolution Chapter (#6 in your book), here are some of the main ideas you should know. Answer these questions, and we'll review them later in class. Be sure to answer each question in 1 – 2 complete sentences.

1. What did the Colonists do to help prevent the War?
2. And what did the Colonists do to help *start* the War?
3. Why was the American's Army was called the "Continental Army?"
4. What did George Washington do for the Continental Army that was so important?
5. Which side do you think you would have joined: the Loyalists or the Patriots?
6. What important ideas did *Common Sense* (by Thomas Paine) try encourage? What are some examples of *Common Sense* in today's world (think T.V. shows, singers, politicians, movies, etc)?
7. What are some examples of "natural rights" that the Preamble mentions?
8. What was so dangerous about writing the Declaration of Independence?
9. How do you think the Declaration of Independence would earn the Colonists/Americans freedom?
10. Why do you think the Colonists called their new nation the "United States of America?"