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The Road to Independence

Mid-Unit Content Assessment

The following question has two parts. Answer Part A and then answer Part B.

1. **Part A:** The French and Indian War was fought between the:

- A. Spanish, French, and Germans
- B. Native Americans and French
- C. British and French
- D. Canadian French, Native Americans

Answer _____

Part B: By defeating the _____ in the French and Indian War, the _____ became the most important power in North America.

- A. Spanish; French
- B. Native Americans; French
- C. British; Native Americans
- D. French; British

Answer _____

2. As a result of the French and Indian War, the British:

- A. invited members of the colonies to serve as representatives in Parliament
- B. imposed new taxes, including several that would have to be paid by the colonists
- C. asked members of the House of Burgesses to raise money for Britain's debts
- D. sailed back to England and left the colonists alone to govern themselves

Answer _____

3. The British government created the Stamp Act to:

- A. force colonists to help pay Britain's war debts
- B. protect the colonists from French taxes
- C. ensure that all British goods were stamped with the king's seal
- D. issue stamps for packages between the colonies and Great Britain

Answer _____

4. The Sons of Liberty and many others felt that British taxes were unfair because the colonists:
- A. had no ties to Great Britain and felt they owed them nothing
 - B. had their own bills to pay following the war
 - C. had no say in how to raise money to pay Britain's debts
 - D. wanted complete independence from Britain

Answer _____

5. Discontent and a desire for independence grew in the colonies as a result of which of the following? Type all that apply.
- A. Great Britain's increased taxation on the colonies
 - B. British show of military force in Boston
 - C. Native Americans' continued aggression
 - D. Great Britain's removal of colonial rights

Answer _____

6. When news of the Boston Tea Party reached Great Britain:
- A. noblemen made plans to sail to America for another splendid party
 - B. the British Parliament repealed the tax on tea
 - C. the British Parliament approved a new set of laws to punish the people of Boston
 - D. King George III was forced to resign as king of England

Answer _____

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7. **Part A:** The colonists referred collectively to the Boston Port Act, the Massachusetts Government Act, the Administration of Justice Act, and the Quartering Act as the _____ Acts because they _____.
- A. Freedom; gave more freedom to the colonists
 - B. Peace; established peace between the colonists and Great Britain
 - C. Intolerable; were too painful and hard to accept
 - D. Massachusetts; applied only to the state of Massachusetts

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Part B: In response to these acts, representatives from 12 of the 13 colonies formed the First Continental Congress to:

- A. celebrate improved relationships between Great Britain and the colonies
- B. draft a list of complaints and grievances against the British government
- C. draft a letter to the king, asking him to enforce the same laws in all the colonies
- D. wage war against Great Britain

Answer _____

8. Number the following events in the order in which they happened, from 1–4.

- A. _____ The first shots of the Revolutionary War were fired at Lexington, Massachusetts.
- B. _____ Thomas Jefferson drafted a declaration of independence, stating reasons for breaking away from Great Britain.
- C. _____ Paul Revere rode west from Boston, warning colonists that the British were planning to seize colonial weapons from Concord, Massachusetts.
- D. _____ The British defeated the colonists at the Battle of Bunker Hill.

9. Which of the following statements about the Declaration of Independence are true? Type all that apply.

- A. Thomas Jefferson was its main author.
- B. It was reviewed by Benjamin Franklin and John Adams.
- C. It listed reasons for the colonists' desire to break away from France.
- D. It remains a key document in American history.

Answer _____

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