

Lesson Thirty-Two

A Heritage Test

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LESSON IDEA

To review materials covered in earlier lessons and to stimulate interest in the topics for our new subscribers.

PREPARATION

Decide how the lessons will be used for your family: as a verbal or written quiz during the regular meeting, or during the dinner hour or other family get-together during the week, or perhaps as selected questions used with other lessons during the month. New subscribers may use the questions to measure the current knowledge level of their children as a result of their schooling to date.

IN RECENT WEEKS we covered many key historical events during our family discussions. We have visited colonial America, communist china, mythical kingdoms, and modern factories. We have watched the 13 colonies declare independence and become a nation, and we have learned about several heroes of the Revolutionary War.

Tonight we will depart from our usual format. Rather than present new information, we will have a quiz about the topics already covered. Some questions will be easy, others rather difficult. The answer to all will be found in those earlier lessons. The purpose is simply to review what we have learned to see how much each family member has remembered.

The first 15 questions will be multiple-choice. The correct answers are in bold italics:

1. The first permanent colony in the New World was founded by English settlers at: (a) St. Augustine, Florida; (b) **Jamestown, Virginia**; (c) Plymouth, Massachusetts.
2. Paul Revere and William Dawes began their historic ride at: (a) Lexington, Massachusetts; (b) Falls Church, Virginia, (c) **Boston, Massachusetts**.
3. At the signing of the Declaration of Independence, John and Samuel Adams were representatives of: (a) Connecticut. (b) Maryland; (c) **Massachusetts**.
4. In support of the Declaration, all of the signers

mutually pledged their: (a) lives; (b) fortunes; (c) sacred honor; (d) **all of the above**.

5. Patrick Henry's famous "Give Me Liberty" speech was delivered at: (a) Independence Hall, Philadelphia; (b) **St. John's Church, Richmond**; (c) Continental Hall, Boston.

6. Which of these British Acts ignited resistance by the American colonists and led to the Revolutionary War: (a) Stamp Act; (b) Townshend Acts; (c) Port Bill; (d) **all of the above**.

7. The legal document that first bound the 13 colonies into the United States of America was the: (a) **Articles of Confederation**, (b) Declaration of Independence; (c) Constitution.

8. The first state to ratify the Constitution was: (a) Pennsylvania; (b) **Delaware**; (c) North Carolina.

9. George Washington and his troops endured the bitter hardships of Valley Forge during the winter of: (a) 1775-1776; (b) **1777-1778**; (c) 1778-1779.

10. Which of the following three states was not one of the original thirteen colonies: (a) Georgia; (b) North Carolina; (c) **Maine**.

11. At the final battle of the Revolutionary War, the British General Cornwallis was defeated at: (a) Concord; (b) Saratoga, (c) **Yorktown**.

12. The American statesman who wrote the original draft of what became our Bill of Rights was: (a) Thomas Jefferson; (b) Alexander Hamilton; (c) **James Madison**.

13. The man elected President of the Constitutional Convention that drafted our Constitution was: (a) Samuel Adams; (b) John Hancock; (c) **George Washington**.

14. What form of government does the Constitution establish for the United States and guarantee for each state: (a) Democracy; (b) **Republic**; (c) Monarchy.

15. After heated debate in many states, the Constitution was ratified by the 11th former colony and was officially adopted in the year: (a) 1776; (b) 1781; (c) **1788**.

