Chapter 7 Exam Study Guide Review Questions

Define the following words:

Ally: you can find this definition yourself!

Protest: you can find this definition yourself!

Massacre: you can find this definition yourself!

Militia: you can find this definition yourself!

Answer the following questions:

1. Why did the British parliament need to tax the colonies?

They were in debt (BROKE) after the French and Indian war and needed money!

2. Why did Parliament create the Townshend Acts?

Britain needed a way to pay for all the services they were giving in the colonies (soldiers, security, governors, etc).

3. How did the colonists work together to oppose British actions?

They created the Committees of Correspondence which helped them to communicate across ALL the colonies. It was a way to deliver messages and news across the colonies.

4. Why were the colonists upset about the new taxes?

The colonies strongly believed that they shouldn’t be taxed if they were not represented in Parliament! No colonists was given a voice in whether or not they should be taxed or HOW they should be taxed. They thought only their OWN representatives should tax them. “No taxation without representation!”

5. What two groups were separated by the Proclamation of 1763?

The colonists and the American Indians ... Britain didn’t want them fighting any more, so colonists were not allowed to move WEST of the Appalachian Mountains

6. What was the Proclamation of 1763, and what did it require?

Britain was sick and tired of having to waste money on sending over soldiers to settle battled between the colonists and Indians when the colonists would invade their land, so Britain passed the Proclamation of 1763 which said that colonists were not allowed to move WEST of the Appalachian Mountains
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What was the effect of the French and Indian War?

*Britain gained a LARGE amount of land (all of the Ohio River Valley, and pretty much ALL land in between the Atlantic Ocean and the Mississippi River)*

7. How did the First Continental Congress try to solve the conflict over the tea tax?

*They wrote a letter to King George and the British government asking them to stop taxing them!*

8. What was an effect of British soldiers staying in the Ohio River Valley?

*Pontiac’s Rebellion: British soldiers and colonists invaded more and more Native American land, and this caused the Pontiac Indians to start a war with the British.*

9. Why were colonists openly disagreeing with the British after the Proclamation of 1763?

*Colonists were angry that they were not allowed to settle and live in the Ohio River Valley or ANY land west of the Appalachian Mountains*

10. Think about how an effect can become a cause of another event. Then think about the effect of the Proclamation of 1763. How was this part of the cause of the Revolutionary War?

*Colonists were angry that the British were telling them where they could and could not live. They were angry that British soldiers were living among them and telling them what to do. This anger led to the American Revolution (snowball effect! Lots of tiny events snowballed and caused a BIG reaction – WAR)*

11. Describe the Battles of Lexington and Concord:

a. Lexington: *April 19th, 1775: First Battle of the Revolutionary War. British soldiers are hoping to steal gunpowder and weapons from colonists, but the colonists find out and prepare for battle. British and colonial minutemen meet at Lexington, and they decide not to fight because the minutemen are ordered to leave. Someone (no one knows who) fires a shot, and everyone starts shooting. 8 colonists die.*

b. Concord: *The colonial minutemen are able to force the British back into Boston by hiding in trees and behind walls and overpowering the British. British are trapped in Boston!*
12. Why do you think the actions of the British caused the people in different colonies to work together as one nation?

The British kept taxing colonists, telling them they couldn’t live in certain places, forcing soldiers into their cities and homes, and taking away their government and representation. MOST colonists quickly joined together in their anger and decided together they wanted to be free from the British ruling over them. When you take away the freedoms of a large group of people, eventually they will work together to get back their freedom!

13. ESSAY QUESTION: Write an article for a colonial Boston Newspaper, as a reporter might have. Write your article about the taxes. Tell your readers why colonists are upset about the taxes. Explain what colonists can do about it. Write your article on a separate sheet of paper.

Your article should be at LEAST 1 full page handwritten!