# REMEMBER(ING) THE LADIES

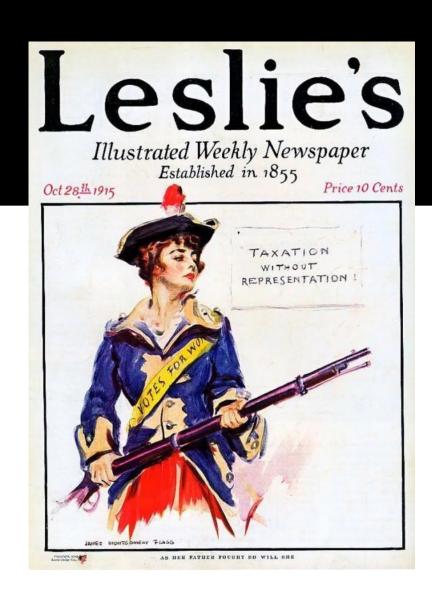


The Rights of Women and the Legacy of the American Revolution

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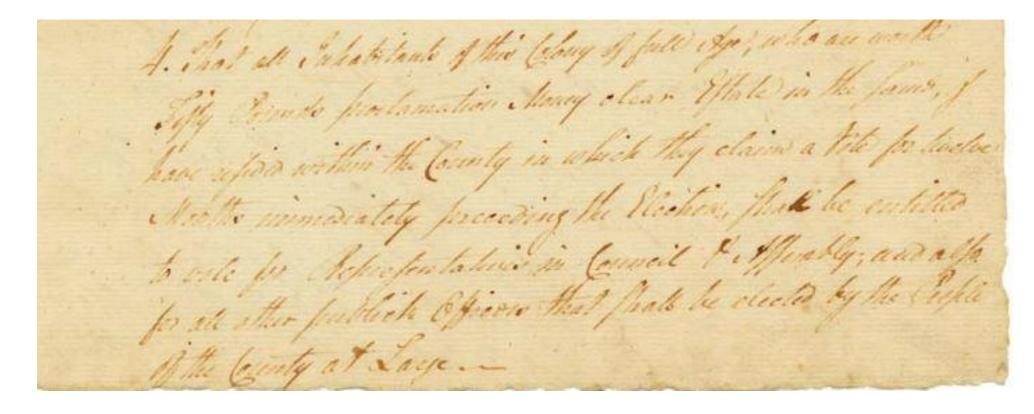


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#### Letter from Abigail Adams to John Adams, 31 March 1776

"I long to hear that you have declared an independency -- and by the way in the new Code of Laws which I suppose it will be necessary for you to make I desire you would Remember the Ladies, and be more generous and favourable to them than your ancestors. Do not put such unlimited power into the hands of the Husbands. Remember all Men would be tyrants if they could. If perticuliar care and attention is not paid to the Laidies we are determined to foment a Rebelion, and will not hold ourselves bound by any Laws in which we have no voice, or Representation."

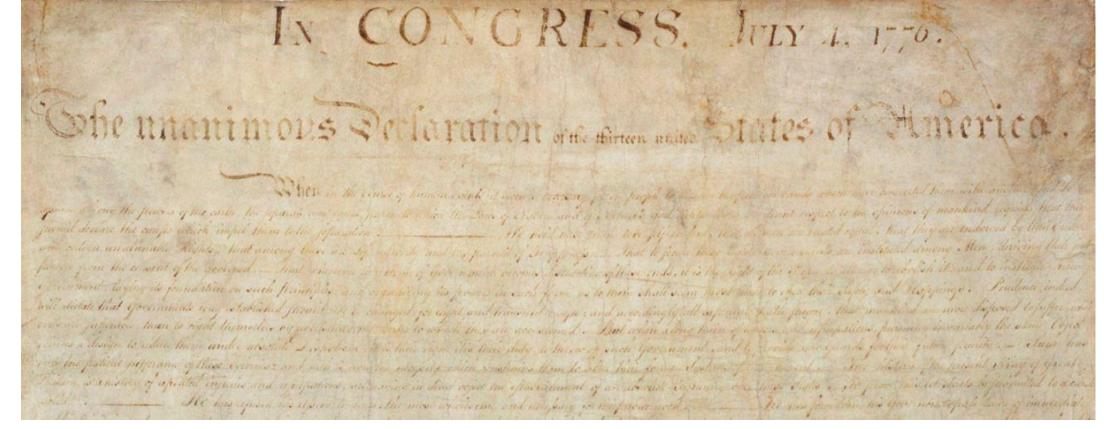
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#### New Jersey State Constitution, adopted 2 July 1776

"4. That all Inhabitants of this Colony of full Age, who are worth Fifty Pounds proclamation Money clear Estate in the same, & have resided within the County in which they claim a Vote for twelve Months immediately preceding the Election, shall be entitled to vote for Representatives in Council & Assembly; and also for all other publick Officers that shall be elected by the People of the County at Large."

https://www.nj.gov/state/archives/docconst76.html#page3



#### Declaration of Independence, 4 July 1776

"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights...that to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men...That whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to institute a new Government...Such has been the patient sufferance of these Colonies; and such is now the necessity which constrains them to alter their former Systems of Government."

https://www.archives.gov/founding-docs/declaration-transcript

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#### FEMALE REVIEW:

OR

MEMOIRS

OF AN

#### AMERICAN YOUNG LADY;

WHOSE LIFE AND CHARACTER ARE PECULIARLY DISTINGUISHED—BEING A CONTINENTAL SOLDIER, FOR NEARLY THREE YEARS, IN THE LATE AMERI-

DURING WHICH TIME,

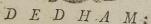
SHE PERFORMED THE DUTIES OF EVERY DEPART.
MENT, INTO WHICH SHE WAS CALLED, WITH PUNCTUAL EXACT LESS, FIDELITY AND HONOR, AND PRESERVED HER CHASTITY INVIOLATE, BY THE MOST ARTFUL CONCEALMENT OF HER SEX.

#### APPENDIX,

CONTAINING

HER TASTE FOR ECONOMY, PRINCIPLES OF DOMES.
TIC EDUCATION, &c.

By a CITIZEN of MASSACHUSETTS.



NATHANIEL AND BENJAMIN HEATON, FOR THE AUTHOR.

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The Female Review: or, Memoirs of an American Young Lady
Herman Mann
Dedham [Mass.]: Printed by
Nathaniel and Benjamin Heaton,
for the author
1797
The Society of the Cincinnati, The
Robert Charles Lawrence
Fergusson Collection

"no other similar example of female heroism, fidelity and courage"



#### Margaret Corbin, Revolutionary

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Liberty is commonly depicted as a pretty young woman in a white classical robe, kindly in peacetime, steel eyed and determined in war. This personification of Liberty is grounded in Roman depictions of the goddess Libertas, who was honored with a temple on the Aventine Hill in Rome, Libertas was often depicted offering a pileus, the soft cap

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#### MARGARET CORBIN

- \* married John Corbin—First Company, Pennsylvania Artillery
- \* August-November 1776 defense of New York City
- \* took her husband's place on the gun crew after he was killed by Hessian musket fire
- \* 'Margaret fell hideously wounded before the battery was overrun, hit in her left shoulder and arm, jaw and left breast'
- \* assigned to the Corps of Invalids—disabled soldiers with no other means of support kept on the army's rolls
- \* died at West Point in 1800, age 48

July 6, 1779—Congress awarded Margaret Corbin, "who was wounded and disabled in the attack on Fort Washington, whilst she heroically filled the post of her husband who was killed by her side," a complete outfit of clothing and one-half of the pay of a private soldier for the rest of her life. By this act Congress formally recognized a female combat veteran for the first time in American history.'

31 January 1786—William Price to Henry Knox, 'I am at a loss what to do with Capt Molly..."



#### ANN "NANCY" HART

- \* Georgia frontierswoman
- \* captured six British Loyalists, killed one and oversaw the hanging of five—and served as a spy (according to various accounts)
- \* 1848 revival *The Women of the American* Revolution by Elizabeth F. Ellet:

"Except for the Letters of Mrs. Adams, no fair exponent of the feelings and trials of the women of the Revolution had been given to the public ... We have no means of showing the important part she bore in laying the foundations on which so mighty and majestic structure has arisen ... individual instances of magnanimity, fortitude, self-sacrifice and, and heroism ... to which ... we are not less indebted for national freedom, than to the swords of our patriots who poured out their blood."

Nancy Hart by Felix Darley (artist) and Charles Regnier (engraver)

New York: Groupil & Co., 1853, The Society of the Cincinnati, The Robert Charles Lawrence Fergusson Collection



On 15 June 1900 in the introduction to a republished edition of *The Women of the American Revolution*, Anne Hollingsworth Wharton wrote that Mrs. Ellet's compiled history appeared to be:

"a prophecy of the future as well as a summary of past events ... if as Mr. Froude says, "history is a voice forever sounding across the centuries the laws of right and wrong," the reader of to-day may draw from the record of the lives of these women of yesterday, lessons in courage, endurance, fidelity to principle and unselfish devotion to their country, that may well prove an inspiration to higher ideals of citizenship and broader patriotism in the future."

#### ELIZABETH CADY STANTON

abolitionist activated as women's rights leader when all female delegates were denied seats at the World's Anti-Slavery Convention in London 1840—she became convinced that women should hold a convention demanding their own rights

\* 20 July 1848, *Declaration of Sentiments*, Seneca Falls, NY <a href="https://www.nps.gov/wori/learn/historyculture/declaration-of-sentiments.htm">https://www.nps.gov/wori/learn/historyculture/declaration-of-sentiments.htm</a>

\* 1 January 1860, Address to the Judiciary Committee of the New York State Legislature, Albany, NY <a href="https://awpc.cattcenter.iastate.edu/2017/03/21/a-slaves-appeal-1860/">https://awpc.cattcenter.iastate.edu/2017/03/21/a-slaves-appeal-1860/</a>



#### Our Roll of Honor

Containing all the

Signatures to the "Declaration of Sentiments"

#### Woman's Rights Convention,

held at Seneca Falls, New York July 19-20, 1848

#### LADIES:

Lucretia Mott Harriet Cady Eaton Margaret Pryor Elizabeth Cady Stanton Eunice Newton Foote Mary Ann M'Clintock Margaret Schooley Martha C. Wright Jane C. Hunt Amy Post Catherine F. Stebbins Mary Ann Frink Lydia Mount Delia Mathews Catherine C. Paine Elizabeth W. M'Clintock Malvina Sevmour Phebe Mosher Catherine Shaw Deborah Scott Sarah Hallowell Mary M'Clintock Mary Gilbert

Sophronia Taylor Cynthia Davis Hannah Plant Lucy Jones Sarah Whitney Mary H. Hallowell Elizabeth Conklin Sally Pitcher Mary Conklin Susan Quinn Mary S. Mirror Phebe King Julia Ann Drake Charlotte Woodward Martha Underhill Dorothy Mathews Eunice Barker Sarah R. Woods Lydia Gild Sarah Hoffman Elizabeth Leslie Martha Ridley

#### GENTLEMEN:

Richard P. Hunt
Samuel D. Tillman
Justin Williams
Elisha Foote
Frederick Douglass
Henry W. Seymour
Henry Seymour
Toavid Spalding
William G. Barker
Lias J. Doty
Lohn Longe

William S. Dell
James Mott
William Burroughs
Robert Smallbridge
Jacob Mathews
Charles L. Hoskins
Thomas M'Clintock
Saron Phillips
Jacob P. Chamberlain
Jonathan Metcalf

Rachel D. Bonnel Betsey Tewksbury Rhoda Palmer Margaret Jenkins Cynthia Fuller Mary Martin P. A. Culvert Susan R. Doty Rebecca Race Sarah A. Mosher Mary E. Vail Lucy Spalding Lovina Latham Sarah Smith Eliza Martin Maria E. Wilbur Elizabeth D. Smith Caroline Barker Ann Porter Experience Glbbs Antoinette E. Segur Hannah J. Latham Sarah Sisson

Nathan J. Milliken S. E. Woodworth Edward F. Underhill George W. Pryor Joel Bunker Isaac VanTassel Thomas Dell E. W. Capron Stephen Shear Henry Hatley Azaliah Schooley

#### Declaration of Sentiments (20 July 1848)

"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men and women are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights...that to secure these rights, governments are instituted among Men...That Whenever any form of government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to institute those who suffer from it to refuse allegiance to it, and to insist upon the institution of a new government...Such has been the patient sufferance of these Colonies; the women under this government, and such is now the necessity which constrains them to alter their former Systems of Government demand the equal station to which they are entitled."

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# Address to the Judiciary Committee of the New York State Legislature, Albany, NY (1 January 1860)

"If the citizens of the United States should not be free and happy, the fault," says Washington, "will be entirely their own." Yes, gentlemen, the basis of our government is broad enough and strong enough to securely hold the rights of all its citizens, and should we pile up rights ever so high, and crown the pinnacle with those of the weakest woman, there is no danger that it will totter to the ground. Yes, it is woman's own fault that she is where she is. Why has she not claimed all those rights, long ago guaranteed by our own declaration to all the citizens of this Republic?... It is declared that every citizen has a right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness... Can woman be said to have a right to life, if all means of self-protection are denied her,—if, in case of life and death, she is not only denied the right of trial by a jury of her own peers, but has no voice in the choice of judge or juror, her consent has never been given to the criminal code by which she is judged? Can she be said to have a right to liberty, when another citizen may have the legal custody of her person; the right to shut her up and administer moderate chastisement; to decide when and how she shall live, and what are the necessary means for her support? Can any citizen be said to have a right to the pursuit of happiness, whose inalienable rights are denied; who is disfranchised from all the privileges of citizenship; whose person is subject to the control and absolute will of another?...

"Governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governed." "Taxation and representation are inseparable." These glorious truths were uttered for some higher purpose than to decorate holiday flags, or furnish texts for Fourth of July orations... <a href="https://awpc.cattcenter.iastate.edu/2017/03/21/a-slaves-appeal-1860/">https://awpc.cattcenter.iastate.edu/2017/03/21/a-slaves-appeal-1860/</a>

Reimagine the narrative as a 21<sup>st</sup> century tweet <a href="http://simitator.com/generator/twitter/tweet">http://simitator.com/generator/twitter/tweet</a>.

Using emojis <a href="https://emojipedia.org/">https://emojipedia.org/</a> to represent words, letters or sounds.

Britannia to America [etching]

London: M. Darly, May 6, 1778

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America to her mistaken mother [etching]

London: M. Darly, May 11, 1778

The Society of the Cincinnati, The Robert Charles

Lawrence Fergusson Collection

(both etchings found at Collections for the Classroom at our website: <a href="https://www.americanrevolutioninstitute.org/collections-for-the-classroom/">https://www.americanrevolutioninstitute.org/collections-for-the-classroom/</a>)





# Elizabeth Cady Stanton





@realElizabethCadyStanton

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#HERstory #neverthelessshepersisted









1 January 1860 - Albany, NY



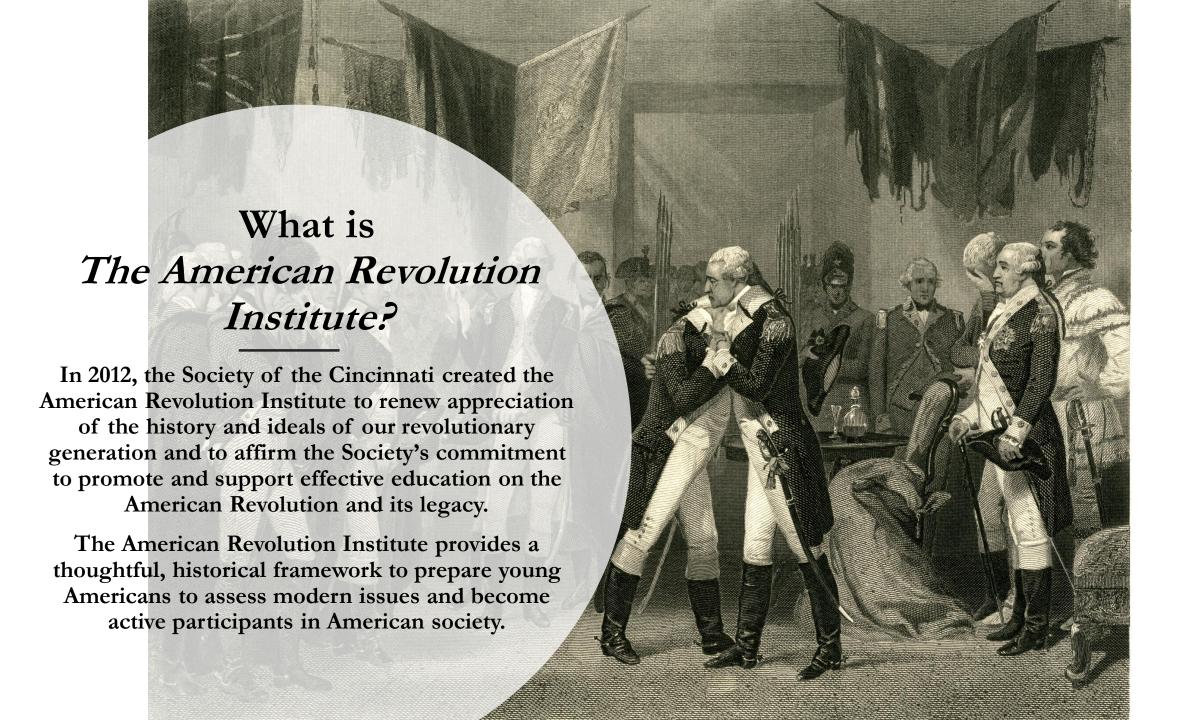
#### **COMMON CORE:**

English Language Arts Standards— History/Social Studies (2010)

Key Ideas and Details: cite specific evidence to support analysis of primary and secondary sources, determine central ideas, provide an accurate summary, evaluate various explanations for actions or events

Craft and Structure: determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, identify point of view or purpose, integrate visual information, distinguish among fact, opinion and reasoned judgment, analyze the relationship between a primary and secondary source on the same topic Integration of Knowledge and Ideas: integrate and evaluate multiple sources of information presented in diverse formats and media, integrate information from diverse sources, both primary and secondary, into a coherent understanding of an idea or event

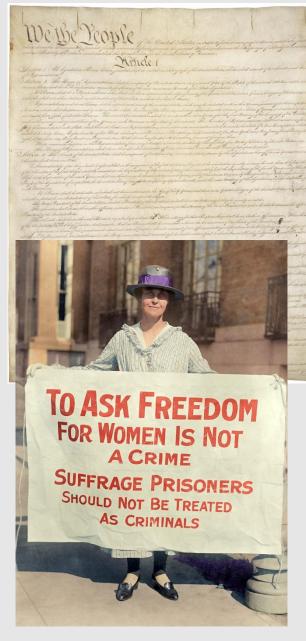
Range of Reading and Text Complexity



## The American Revolution...

- secured our national independence,
- established our republic,
- created our national identity,
- and articulated our ideals of liberty, equality, civic responsibility and natural and civil rights that have shaped our nation's history and will shape the future of the world.







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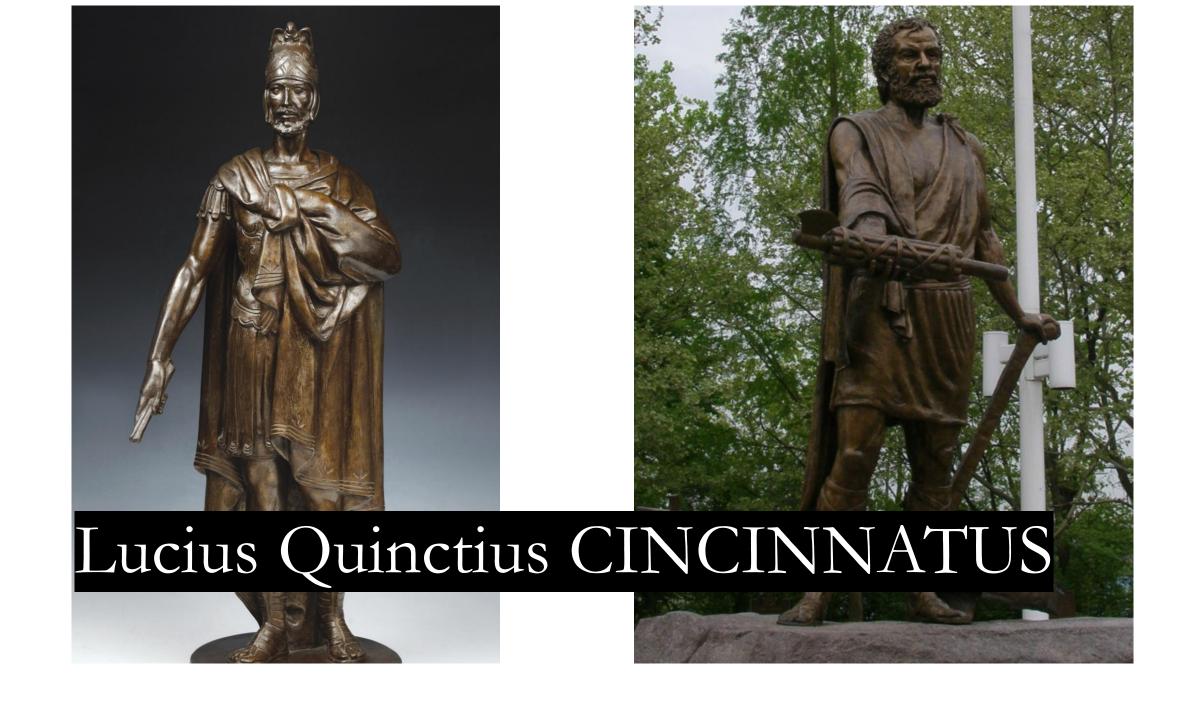


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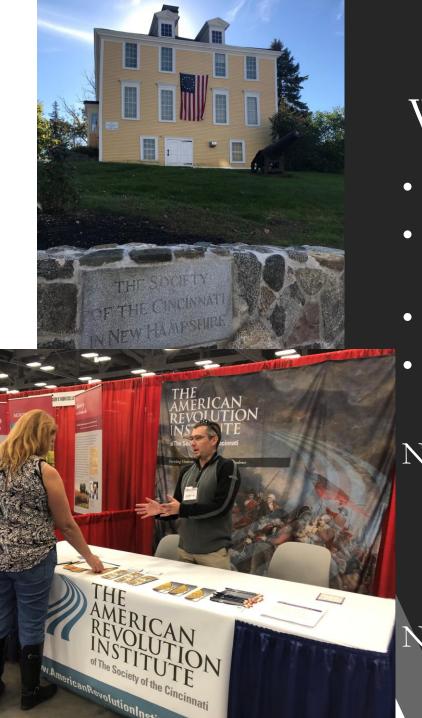
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# REGIONAL TEACHER WORKSHOPS and CONFERENCES

- New Hampshire American Independence Museum
- Virginia George Washington Masonic National Memorial, Fredericksburg Area Museum, Watermen's Museum
- Florida Sarasota Middle School
- Massachusetts Massachusetts Historical Society

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South Carolina Council for the Social Studies

Virginia Council for the Social Studies

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Continental Army and Revolutionary War at Sea

Longfellow K-8 Spanish Immersion Magnet School, San Diego, CA



Collections for the Classroom: Preserving the Memory of George Washington and The Property of the Nation





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A central premise of Imagining the Revolution is that the American Revolution created our national identity. That identity ual images of the Revolution. Some of those images, like John Trumbull's depiction of the Battle of Bunker Hill and Eman ing the Delaware, have been reproduced hundreds and even thousands of times, and are fundamental parts of our shared na



This first lesson introduces Imagining the Revolution and prompts students to consider how the first published image of the Battle of Lexington has shaped the way generations of Americans have viewed

**Imagining Lexington** 



#### **Imagining Princeton**

This lesson invites students to compare James Peale's eyewitness depiction of the Battle of Princeton with John Trumbull's complex masterpiece, The Death of General Mercer at the Battle of Princeton.



#### **Imagining Bunker Hill**

This lesson invites students to consider the meaning contemporary Americans attached to John Trumbull's depiction of the first major battle of the Revolutionary War by comparing it to an imagine of the battle created within weeks of the

#### COLLECTIONS FOR THE CLASSROOM: PRESERVING THE MEMORY OF GEORGE WASHINGTON AND THE PROPERTY OF THE NATION

American Revolution Institute Educator Book Club

Washington, D.C., Fall 2019



Sacred to the memory of the truly illustrious George

John Coles (ca. 1776-1854)

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The Robert Charles Lawrence Fergusson Collection Image of a monument to George Washington with allegorical figures of Minerva, and Fame, whose trumpet hangs a banner inscribed: "Trenton,



A Funeral Oration, on the Death of George Washington: Delivered in the City Hall of Albany, in Presence of an August Assemblage of Citizens, on the Twenty-second of February, 1800 Michael Gabriel Houdin

Albany: Printed by Barber & Southwick The Robert Charles Lawrence Fergusson Collection Michel Gabriel Houdin, born in France, served in the Massachusetts Continental Line and became an original member of the Massachusetts Society of the Cincinnati. Among the hundreds of eulogies published on Washington's death, Houdin's pamphlet has the distinction of featuring as the frontispiece an engraved portrait of the author rather than of Washington





Sacred to the Memory of Washington

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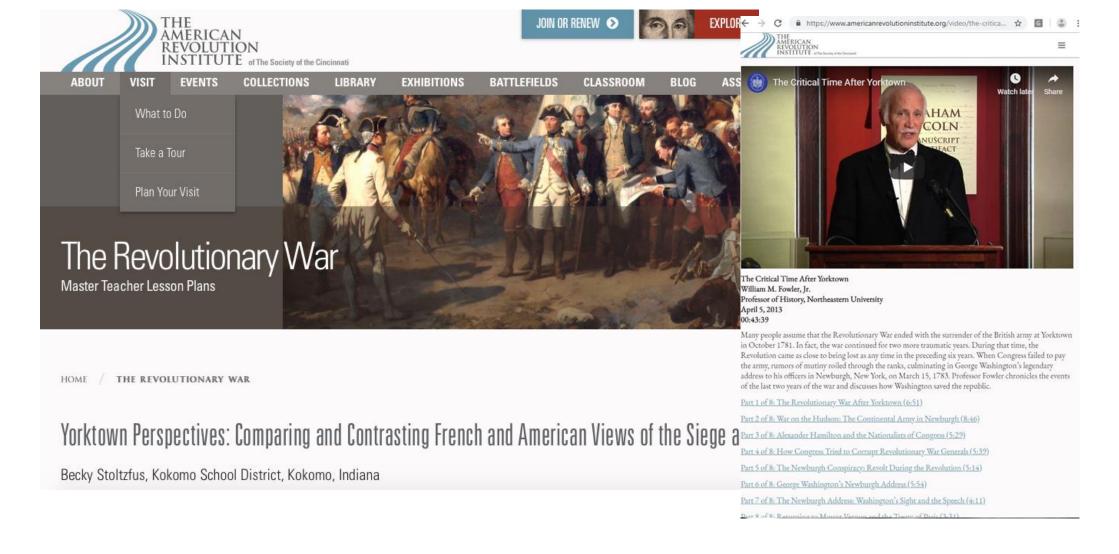


John L. Grubb, Alexandria, Va. Mid-19th century Gift of Henry Irvine Keyser II, 1960

This pair of daguerreotypes reproduces well-known portraits of George and Martha Washington both originally painted around 1796—James Sharples' profile portrait of General Washington and Gilbert Stuart's Athenaeum portrait of the general's wife. These keepsakes are enclosed in a hinged leather-



# Digital Teaching Resources and Lessons



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#### Revolutionary CHOICES

February 2019 Field Testing Alice Deal Middle School Washington, DC

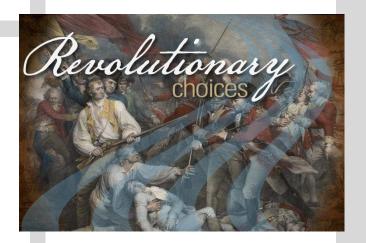
The American Revolutionaries won their independence while nurturing liberty and unity, creating a continental republic of free citizens. Doing as well is the challenge of *Revolutionary Choices*, the American Revolution Institute's new educational video game.

Players face the dilemmas confronted by the revolutionaries as they struggle to recruit and supply troops, win French support, suppress loyalists and defeat the British without trampling on rights or fracturing the union.











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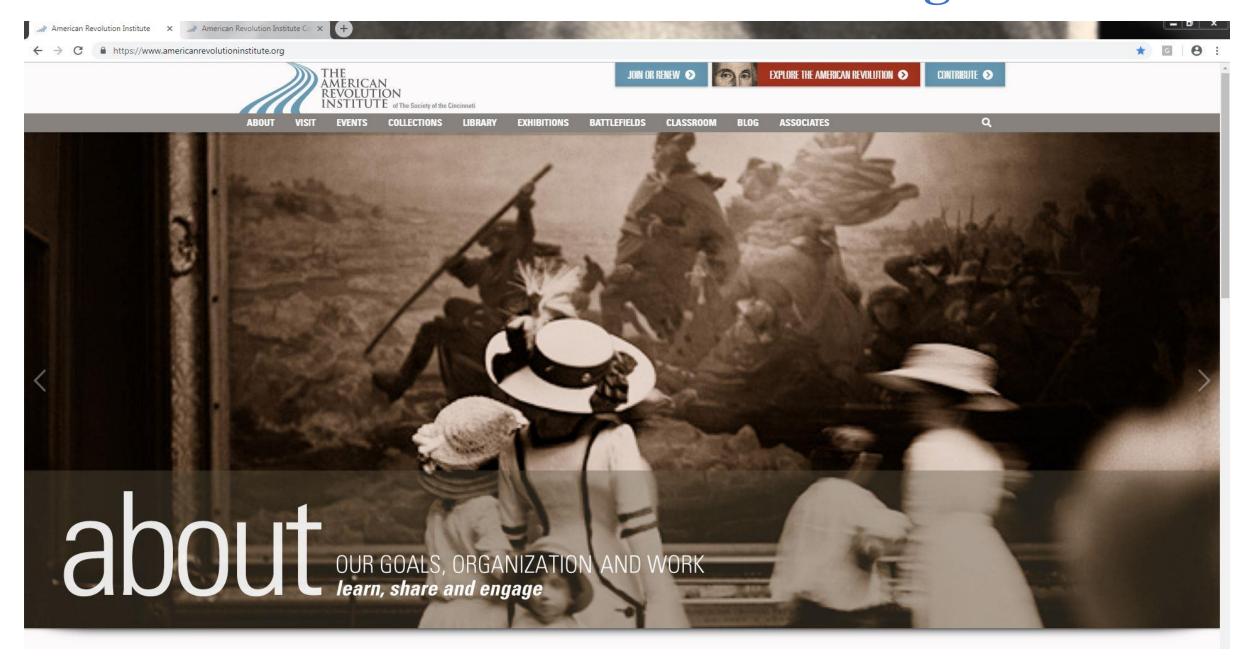




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