American Revolutionary War

April 19th, 1775 - September 3rd 1883

Battle of Trenton / January 2nd, 1777
The turning point of the Revolution War for American Independence

Important people, documents, and places:

George Washington

Thomas Jefferson

John Hancock

Declaration of Independence

Independence Hall

Liberty Bell

Second Continental Congress

Important Events

French & Indian War (7 Years War)

Boston Tea Party

Declaration of Independence

Treaty of Paris

13 British Colonies 1607-1783

13 Original Colonies (Britain 1603 - 1783)

1 - New Hampshire
2 - Massachusetts
3 - New York
4 - Pennsylvania
5 - Rhode Island
6 - Connecticut
7 - New Jersey
8 - Delaware
9 - Maryland
10 - Virginia
11 - North Carolina
12 - South Carolina
13 - Georgia

French & Indian War (Seven Years War)

<u>Treaty of Paris 1763</u>
-Beginning of Britain's Dominance in North America
- Taxes
- Reforming Colonial Administration
- Placing Troops

Boston Tea Party
December 16th, 1773

Political and Mercantile protests against taxation on the colonies.

Protestors boarded British ships and dumped tea into the sea

Represented taxation without representation in the British Parliament

Created American resentment and was one of the events that led to the War of Independence

British Parliament then enacted the Intolerable Acts:
1 - Closed Boston Port
2 - Took away self-governance
3 - Quartered soldiers in American barracks and in public housing

Continental Congress

Meeting of representatives of the British Colonies that eventually became the 1st federal government of the United States.

- Tried to repair the fraying relations with Britain while asserting colonists rights
- Trade boycott against British merchants
- Battle of Bunker Hill
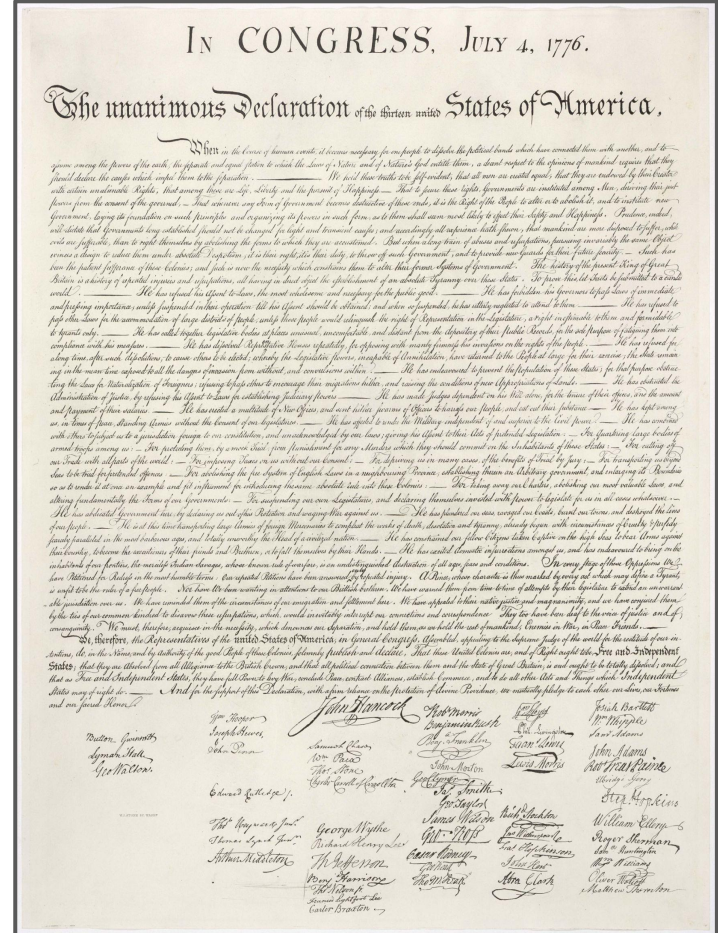- King George issues Proclamation of Rebellion in August 1775

Declaration of Independence

Congress realizes peace with Britian is no longer viable.

Drafts and adopts Declaration of Independence

Written by Thomas Jefferson

John Hancock Signature

Independence Hall

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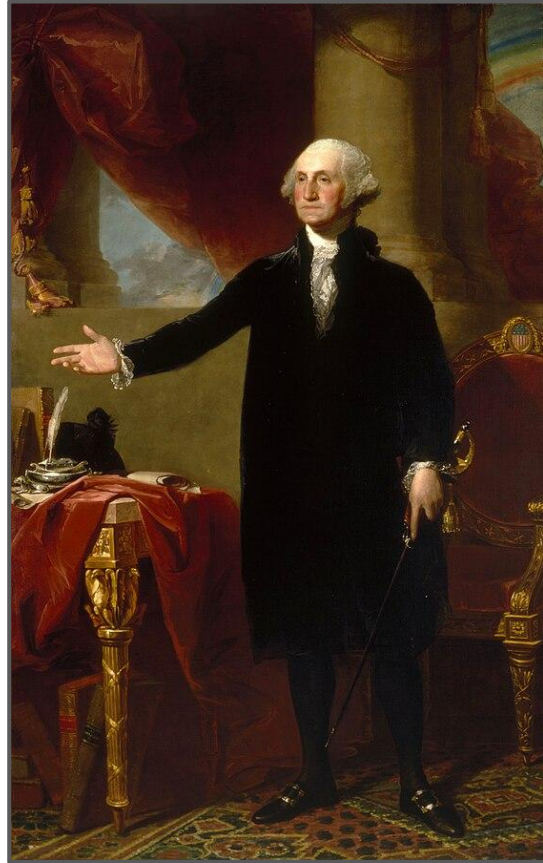
Liberty Bell

George Washington

Commander in Chief (General)

1st President of the United States

George Washington

Battle of Yorktown
October 19th, 1781

Treaty of Paris 1783
-Officially ended the war and recognized the 13 independent colonies