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Detective's Ledger: Solving the Spy Secrets of 4th Grade Freedom

Learners synthesize intelligence about the Culper Spy Ring and the logistics of the Quartering Act to evaluate the strategic risks taken by Revolutionary patriots.

1. The Culper Spy Ring used invisible ink and hidden codes to send messages. Which statement best explains why this level of secrecy was necessary for the American cause?

- A. They were trying to hide food supplies from starving Continental soldiers.
- B. British forces occupied New York City, and discovery meant execution for treason.
- C. The spies wanted to keep their stories secret so they could write books later.
- D. King George III had banned the use of regular paper and pens in the colonies.

2. Before the war began, many colonists were outraged by the _____ Act, which forced them to provide housing and supplies to British soldiers.

- A. Navigation
- B. Quartering
- C. Tea
- D. Declaratory

3. True or False: Native American nations, such as the Oneida and the Tuscarora, fought alongside the American colonists during the Revolution.

- A. True
- B. False

4. Sybil Ludington is often called the 'Female Paul Revere.' Based on her actions in 1777, why was her ride considered strategically significant?

- A. She rode twice as far as Revere to alert the militia to a British raid in Danbury.
- B. She delivered the final draft of the Constitution to Philadelphia.
- C. She informed the British that the colonists were ready to surrender.
- D. She led a cavalry charge during the Battle of Princeton.

5. The Proclamation of 1763 angered colonists because it forbid them from settling west of the _____ Mountains.

- A. Rocky
- B. Appalachian
- C. Sierra Nevada
- D. Catskill

6. True or False: During the Revolution, some enslaved African Americans fought for the British because they were promised freedom in exchange for their service.

- A. True

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B. False

7. Which of these was a primary reason the 'Committee of Correspondence' was vital to the success of the Revolution?

- A. They were responsible for printing the new American dollar bills.
- B. They organized social dances to raise money for George Washington.
- C. They created a communication network to share news of British injustices across all colonies.
- D. They were a group of doctors who treated wounded soldiers.

8. True or False: The 'Olive Branch Petition' was the final attempt by the Continental Congress to avoid a full-scale war with King George III.

- A. True
- B. False

9. The _____ was a group of female patriots who supported the revolution by boycotting British goods and weaving their own cloth.

- A. Ladies of Liberty
- B. Daughters of Liberty
- C. Sisters of the Revolution
- D. Colonial Craftswomen

10. How did the geography of the colonies affect the outcome of the war compared to the British experience?

- A. The British knew the swamps and forests better than the local farmers.
- B. The colonies were too small for the British army to find many targets.
- C. The vast, rugged terrain made it difficult for the British to supply their troops from across the ocean.
- D. The rocky coastlines prevented the British Navy from ever reaching the shore.