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Intercepting the Secret Letters of 1776: A 6th Grade Quiz

Learners verify their grasp of revolutionary causes and tactical shifts through a diverse mix of identification and recall challenges.

1. Which influential pamphlet was written by Thomas Paine to convince ordinary colonists that a complete break from the British monarchy was necessary?

- A. The Liberty Gazette
- B. Common Sense
- C. The Federalist Papers
- D. Poor Richard's Almanack

2. Complete this sentence: To help pay for the French and Indian War, King George III and Parliament passed the _____, a tax on molasses and syrups imported to the colonies.

- A. Tea Act
- B. Stamp Act
- C. Sugar Act
- D. Currency Act

3. True or False: Abigail Adams wrote letters to her husband John Adams urging him to 'remember the ladies' when forming a new government.

- A. True
- B. False

4. Which group of colonial protesters, organized by Samuel Adams, used civil disobedience and sometimes violence to fight back against British taxes?

- A. The Midnight Riders
- B. The Sons of Liberty
- C. The Continental Congress
- D. The Peace Seekers

5. General _____ was a high-ranking American officer who famously switched sides and became a traitor by helping the British.

- A. Nathan Hale
- B. Benedict Arnold
- C. Horatio Gates
- D. Marquis de Lafayette

6. True or False: The Quartering Act allowed British soldiers to live in the homes of colonists and required the colonists to provide them with food.

- A. True

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B. False

7. Before the war began officially, what was the name of the meeting where 12 of the 13 colonies sent delegates to Philadelphia to discuss their complaints against the King?

- A. The Constitutional Convention
- B. The First Continental Congress
- C. The Albany Plan of Union
- D. The House of Burgesses

8. Crispus Attucks is remembered in history as a hero and the first person killed during the _____, an event where British troops fired into a crowd.

- A. Boston Tea Party
- B. Stamp Act Riots
- C. Boston Massacre
- D. Burning of Norfolk

9. True or False: A 'Loyalist' was someone who supported the American colonies' fight for independence from Britain.

- A. True
- B. False

10. What was the name of the treaty that officially recognized the United States as an independent nation in 1783?

- A. Treaty of Ghent
- B. Treaty of Versailles
- C. Treaty of London
- D. Treaty of Paris