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## Answer Key: Could You Survive the Choice to Rebel? 4th Grade Challenge

Would you risk your life for a revolutionary idea? This quiz pushes you to weigh the costs of liberty and analyze the hard choices made by patriots and loyalists.

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**1. Imagine you are a small business owner in 1765. Why might you be more angry about the Quartering Act than a simple tax on sugar?**

**Answer:** A) It required you to pay for the housing and feeding of British soldiers in your town.

The Quartering Act was seen as a major invasion of privacy and a financial burden because colonists had to provide housing and supplies for British troops.

**2. The group of colonial women who organized boycotts against British goods, weaving their own 'homespun' cloth so they wouldn't have to buy British wool, were known as the \_\_\_\_\_.**

**Answer:** B) Daughters of Liberty

The Daughters of Liberty played a crucial role in the rebellion by using economic pressure, proving that you didn't need to be a soldier to fight for the cause.

**3. True or False: During the American Revolution, every single person living in the thirteen colonies wanted to break away from King George III and England.**

**Answer:** B) False

The colonies were deeply divided; many people, known as Loyalists, wanted to remain part of Britain for protection, trade, or loyalty to the King.

**4. Why was the pamphlet 'Common Sense' by Thomas Paine considered a 'game changer' for the revolution?**

**Answer:** C) It used simple language to argue that it was 'common sense' for an island not to rule a continent.

Paine's pamphlet reached thousands of ordinary people, convincing them that monarchy was unfair and independence was the only logical step forward.

**5. The first African American woman to publish a book of poetry, who wrote a famous poem honoring George Washington's leadership, was \_\_\_\_\_.**

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**Answer:** C) Phillis Wheatley

Phillis Wheatley was a highly educated enslaved woman whose poetry supported the ideas of liberty, even as she herself was not yet free.

**6. True or False: Native American tribes were forced to choose sides during the war, with many joining the British because they promised to stop colonial expansion into their lands.**

**Answer:** A) True

Many Indigenous nations, like those in the Iroquois Confederacy, viewed the British as a 'lesser evil' who might prevent colonists from taking more land.

**7. If you were a member of the Continental Congress, why would signing the Declaration of Independence be your most 'dangerous' act?**

**Answer:** B) It was considered treason against the King, which was punishable by death.

Signing the document was a formal act of rebellion. If the colonies lost the war, every signer could have been captured and executed for treason.

**8. To get surprise the Hessian troops in 1776, George Washington led his tired army across the icy \_\_\_\_\_ River on Christmas night.**

**Answer:** C) Delaware

The crossing of the Delaware was a desperate and brave move that led to a victory at Trenton, boosting the morale of the Continental Army.

**9. True or False: The Marquis de Lafayette was a British General who surrendered to the Americans after getting lost in the woods of Virginia.**

**Answer:** B) False

Lafayette was actually a French nobleman who spent his own money and risked his life to help the Americans fight for their freedom.

**10. How did the geography of the colonies help the Americans defeat the more powerful British military?**

**Answer:** B) The British troops weren't used to the vast distances and dense forests of North America.

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The British were thousands of miles from home and struggled to control a massive, rugged landscape where the colonists used 'guerrilla' style tactics familiar to them.