

Part Two, The Making of America:

Lesson 7: *The Revolutionary War in New England*

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[for Sunday, December 14, 2014]

Reading: The Making of America, pages 76-85

Revolutionary War - Battles for New England

PRE-LESSON QUESTIONS FOR HOMEWORK STUDY AND REVIEW:

1. DESCRIBE THE BATTLE OF NEW YORK. WHO WON?(PAGES 76-79)

Revolutionary War - Battles for New England

Battle for New York [Water Surrounded, British staged it well]

o British

- largest army - 32,000
- included German mercenaries (eventually 30,000)
- largest navy (assembled in NY)

o American

- 19,000 untrained army
- fled like a flock of chickens (quote)

WHAT FAMOUS AMERICAN WAS CAPTURED AND HANGED?

o Nathan Hale (p.77)

- captured on Long Island
- spied for Washington
- denied clergyman
- denied Bible
- “I only regret that I have one life to lose for my country”
- hanged

Washington Retreats [to White Plains]

- o Retreated under the cover of fog
- o South through New Jersey
- o Word spread the war was lost
- o Crossed the Delaware River
- o Troops demoralized, hungry cold

o Congress fled Philadelphia

2. EXPLAIN THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE AMERICAN VICTORY AT TRENTON. HOW DID GENERAL WASHINGTON'S DETERMINATION PROVIDE THE NEEDED ENCOURAGEMENT TO HIS TROOPS? (79-81)

Trenton – 1st turning point

- o December 23, Washington read Thomas Paine (quote)
 - [“These are the times that try men’s souls...”]
 - renewed spirit



-Crossed Delaware on Dec 25th

-took drunk Germans and British at Trenton (James Monroe wounded)

- o **Cornwallis ordered to punish Washington [for fighting in winter ;)]**
- o **Saw the campfires, but found only ashes**
- o **Washington had gone around and captured Princeton!**

3. WHAT BRITISH ATROCITIES IN NEW JERSEY HELPED AROUSE AMERICAN WRATH? (81)

British Strategy

- o **Terrorize American families [attacked families in their homes!]**
- o **Germans said it made up for low pay**
- o **Isolate New England (map) [typical war strategy]**
- o **British General Gentleman Johnny Burgoyne out of Canada**
- o **Beat American General Gates at Ticonderoga [refused to place a cannon on a hill to defend]**
- o **Gates was secretly trying to get Congress to appoint him in Washington's place.**

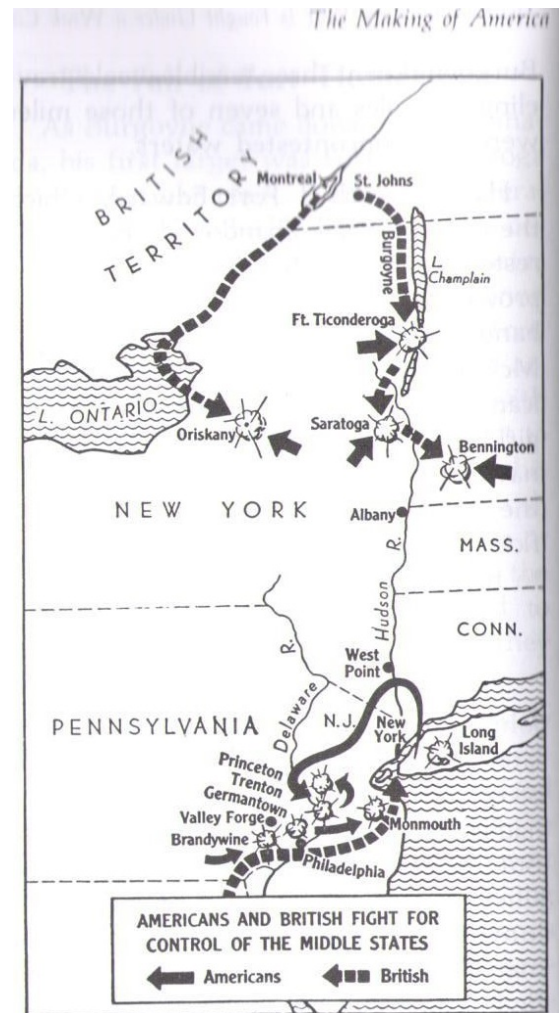
4. DESCRIBE THE BRITISH ATTEMPTS TO ISOLATE NEW ENGLAND FROM THE REST OF THE STATES. TELL ABOUT THE MAIN BATTLES IN THIS CAMPAIGN.(81-85)

Victory at Saratoga

- o **Gates hesitated, Benedict Arnold acted (quote)**
- o **Arnold wounded**
- o **Gates took credit and wrote Congress of his brilliant strategy that worked.**
- o **Burgoyne surrenders at Saratoga**

WHAT WAS THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE FINAL OUTCOME?

- o **Welcome victory for America [largely ended the battle in NE thereafter]**



Much of the early war centered in the northern and middle states.

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QUIZ - LESSON 7

1. AFTER LIBERATING BOSTON, WHY DID WASHINGTON KNOW IT WOULD BE NEARLY IMPOSSIBLE TO TAKE NEW YORK?

2. DESCRIBE THE 30,000 TROOPS FROM EUROPE THAT OUTRAGED AMERICANS.

3. AFTER A WHOLE DAY OF FIGHTING, WHAT HELPED WASHINGTON AND HIS TROOPS ESCAPE FROM NEW YORK?

4. WHO WAS WASHINGTON'S TRUSTED YOUNG SPY AND WHAT WORDS DID HE SAY JUST BEFORE BEING HUNG BY THE BRITISH? _____

_____ “ _____ ”

5. WASHINGTON RETREATED ACROSS THE STATE OF _____ AND CROSSED THE _____ RIVER.

6. WHAT FAMOUS WORDS INSPIRED WASHINGTON'S TROOPS TO A RENEWED COMMITMENT?

_____ – “ _____ ”

7. CROSSING THE _____, WASHINGTON'S TROOPS CAUGHT THE BRITISH MERCENARIES OFF GUARD BECAUSE THEY WERE _____

8. GENERAL HOWE SENT TO PUNISH WASHINGTON. AS HE GOT CLOSE TO THE RIVER, HE SAW

_____. THE NEXT MORNING THEY FOUND ONLY _____

9. WASHINGTON HAD GONE AROUND IN THE NIGHT AND TAKEN _____

10. WHAT BRITISH ATROCITIES DURING THE WINTER OF 1776-77 FURTHER INCENSED THE AMERICANS?

11. WHAT BRITISH MILITARY STRATEGY WAS ATTEMPTED IN NEW ENGLAND?

12. WHICH BRITISH GENERAL WAS TO COME OUT OF CANADA? _____

13. WHAT AMERICAN GENERAL TRIED TO CONVINCING CONGRESS THAT HE SHOULD REPLACE WASHINGTON?

14. WHAT VICTORY BROUGHT THE BRITISH DEFEAT IN NEW ENGLAND?
