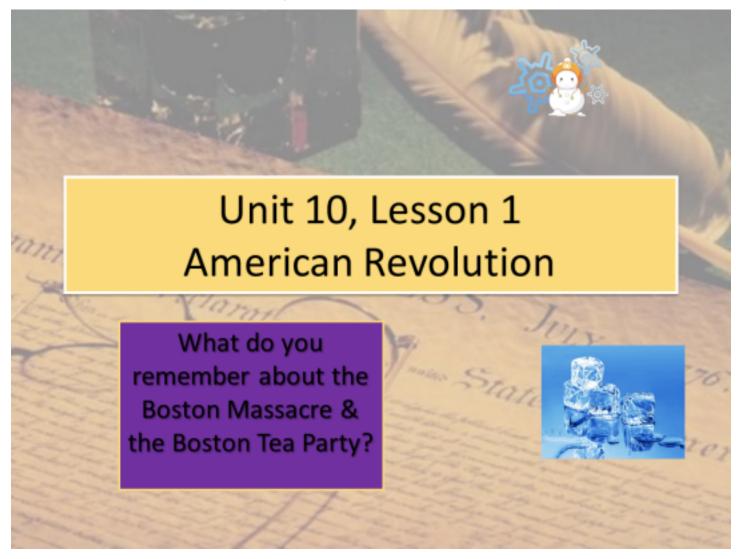
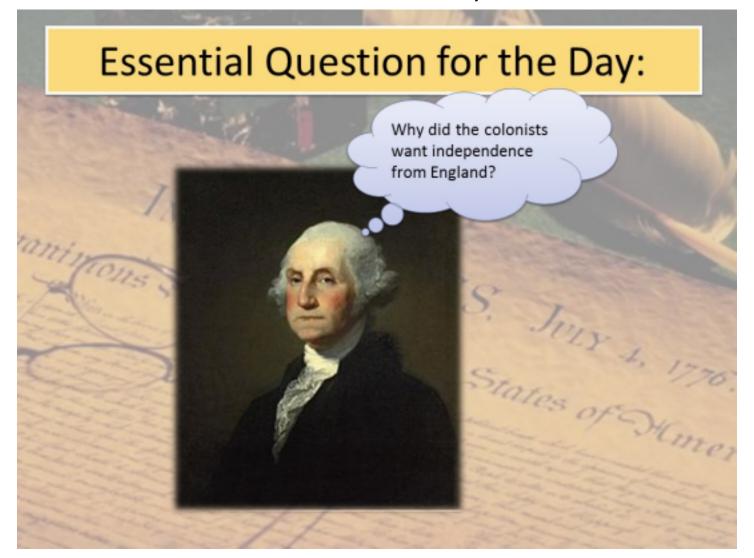
Unit 10, Lesson 1 American Revolution



Essential Question for the Day:



Objectives

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- Why did the attitude of the colonists change?
- What important documents and events lead to the American Revolution?

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1763

- Thirteen English colonies in America
- They were proud to be British, since they just helped England win the French and Indian War
- England did not interfere much with the colonies, and the colonists were happy with that

1765

- England's popularity faltered quickly after the French and Indian War.
- They started to pass taxes upon the colonists.
- The colonists were outraged.
- They yelled, "NO TAXATION WITHOUT REPRESENTATION!"

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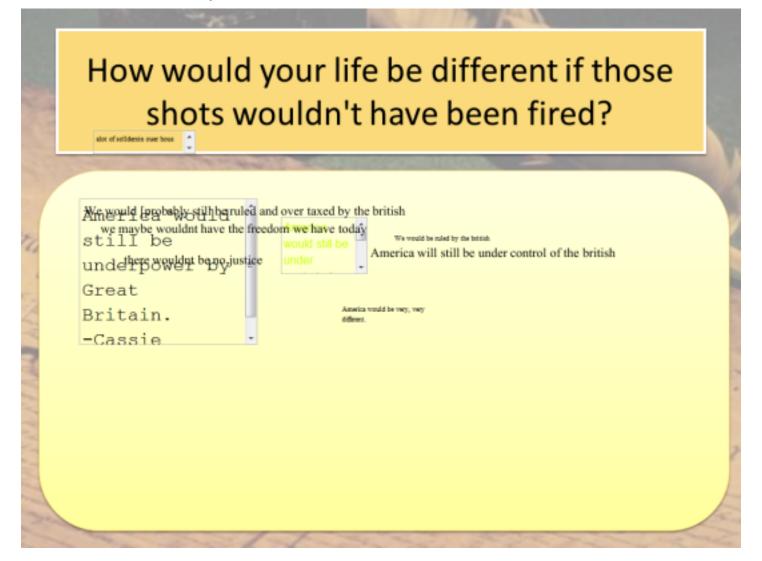


On April 19, 1775 British soldiers confronted colonial militiamen on a field in Lexington, a town outside of Boston. When the Militiamen refused to disperse, the British troops fired, killing eight colonists. Although the colonists retreated, they retuned the next day and drove the British soldiers back to Boston. One poet remarked that the militiamen had "fired the shot heard round the world."

The American Revolutionary War had begun.

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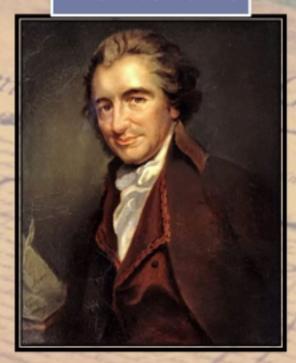
How would your life be different if those shots wouldn't have been fired?



Common Sense in the American Revolution??

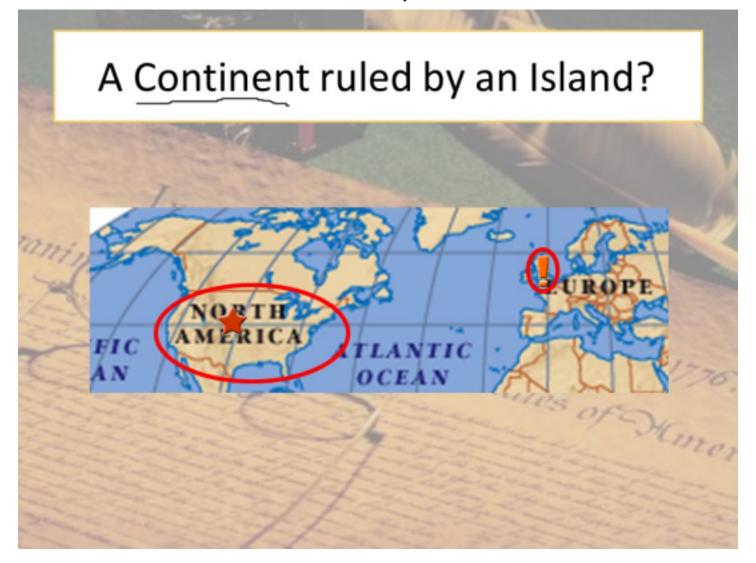
# Common Sense in the American Revolution...

#### Thomas Paine



- Embraced the Enlightenment ideas
- Wrote a "pamphlet" titled Common Sense.
- Common Sense became like Twilight or Harry Potter of the time.
- Everyone was reading it, and it called for American Independence.

A Continent ruled by an Island?



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"But Britain is the parent country, say some. Then the more shame upon her conduct. Even brutes do not devour their young, nor savages make war upon their families... Europe and not England, is the parent country of America. This new world hath been the asylum for the persecuted lovers of civil and religious liberty from every part of Europe."

So why isn't England America's "parent?"

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"The powers of governing still remaining in the hands of the king, he will have a negative over the whole legislation of this continent... He hath shewn himself... an inveterate enemy of liberty..."

-So why was the king not a proper power to govern the American people?

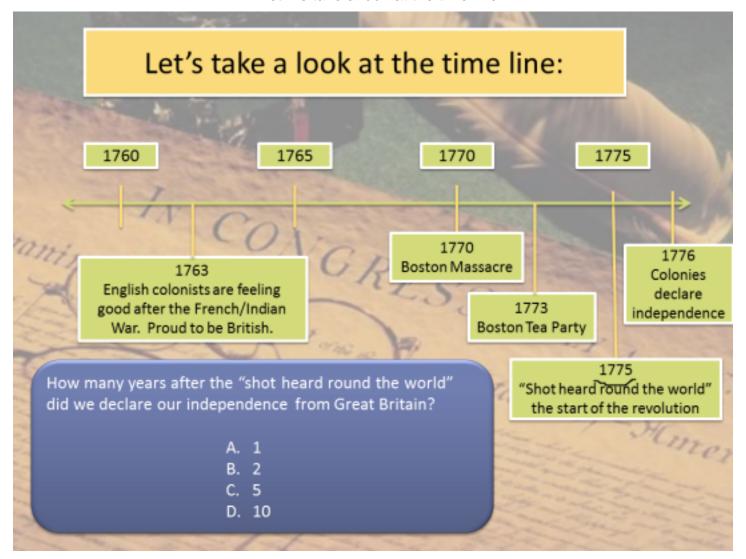
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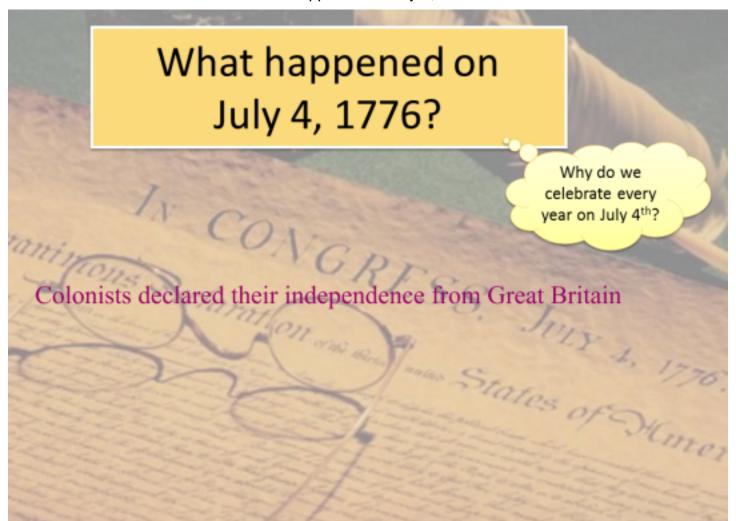
- We talked about the beginning of the American Revolution – the "shot heard round the world"
- But we didn't talk about the Declaration of Independence at all.
- · So which came first?



Let??s take a look at the time line:



What happened on July 4, 1776?

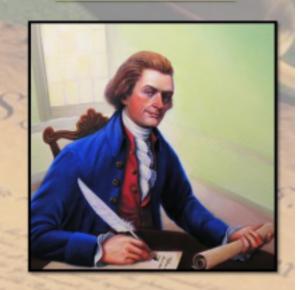


1776

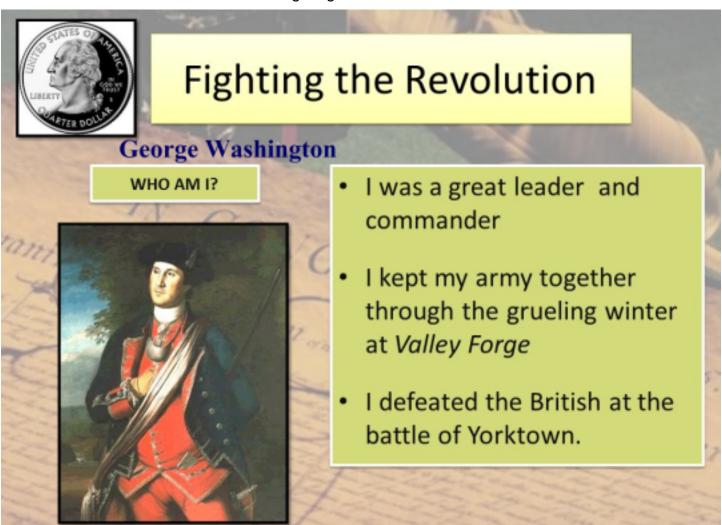
#### 1776

- A brilliant, young representative from Virginia drafted the Declaration of Independence
- Based on the philosophy of
  - Life, liberty, the pursuit of happiness
  - The right of people to alter and get rid of old government and make a new one

# Thomas Jefferson who AM 1?



Fighting the Revolution



#### Homework:

