

CRASH COURSE: U.S. History

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EPISODE 7: WHO WON THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION?

TRUE OR FALSE:

1. Some revolutions end up changing things dramatically, while others don't change much at all in the long run. (0:34)
2. The main strategy used by the British in the Revolutionary War was to force the colonists to surrender by capturing major cities. (1:29)
3. The most famous battle of the war is probably Trenton, which involved Washington crossing the Delaware on Christmas Day, but the most important battle was Saratoga because it led to the French decision to help the American cause. (2:27)
4. The British lost the war when General Lord Bonaparte surrendered at Charleston in 1781. (2:45)
5. A soldier in the Continental Army could expect regular pay and average-to-excellent rations of food and other supplies. (3:26)
6. Some colonists fought with the British, while others, like the Quakers, refused to participate in the war at all. (3:41)
7. Thousands slaves fought for the British because they had been promised freedom; as many as 100,000 saw the war as a chance to escape. (4:21)
8. American Indian tribes refused to take sides in the war, remaining on the sidelines throughout. (5:09)
9. Some colonial women fought in the war, but it didn't do much to help the status of women. (6:12)
10. When the colonies became states, they all created constitutions. Generally, these retained a high property requirement for voting, which means that the Revolution didn't open voting to more people. (6:44)
11. The American Revolution was also revolutionary because it established an official church for the new nation. (7:19)
12. James Otis of Massachusetts felt that until slavery ended, there could be no true liberty for anyone in the new nation. (9:55)
13. All of the states north of Maryland enacted laws against slavery by 1804, yet there were still some slave in the north even as late as the Civil War era. (10:59)
14. The American Revolution introduced the idea that opportunity to succeed in life shouldn't be determined by the social class you were born into. (11:53)
15. To this day, the United States leads the world in equality of opportunity for its people. (12:01)