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## Study Guide—Optional Reading

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1. Name the pamphlet that convinced many colonists that gaining independence from England was a sensible thing to do. Who authored the pamphlet?
2. Which army was most successful in the spring of 1776?
3. From which two European countries did the American rebels try to get help against the British naval blockade?
4. Which delegate to the Continental Congress proposed that the colonies be independent?
5. Name two of the five writers of the Declaration of Independence.
6. In the Declaration of Independence, who gets blamed for numerous offenses?
7. Those colonists loyal to England were called loyalists or \_\_\_\_\_. How were they treated by other colonists?
8. What bold move by General George Washington convinced the colonists that they could defeat Britain?
9. The Battle of Saratoga, New York, proved to be a turning point for two reasons. What were they?
  - a.
  - b.

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10. List three problems the American army faced in the south.

a.

b.

c.

11. The British army under General \_\_\_\_\_ surrendered at \_\_\_\_\_, Virgin-

ia. They had been trapped by the American General \_\_\_\_\_, the French General \_\_\_\_\_, and the navy.

12. List two things women did to help the American cause.

a.

b.

13. Name two other countries that participated in the war between England and the colonies.

14. What two major pieces of land did England give up claim to in the peace treaty?