End of seven-year war: Royal Proclamation passed

#### Stamp act:

The Stamp act was created to provide increased revenues and to meet the costs of defending the large British Empire



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Colonists arrive in Roanoke, Virginia

#### Sugar act:

The first attempt to finance the defense of the colonies by the British Government. In order to try and stop smuggling and to encourage the production of British rum, taxes on molasses were lowered; a levy was placed on foreign Madeira wine and colonial exports of iron, lumber and other goods had to pass first through Britain and British customs.

#### Townshend revenue act:

Duties on tea, glass, lead, paper and paint to help pay for the administration of the colonies, named after Charles Townshend, the Chancellor of the Exchequer. John Dickinson publishes Letter from a Philadelphian Farmer in protest. Colonial assemblies condemn taxation without representation.



#### Boston Tea Party:

They protested both the tax on tea and the perceived monopoly of the East Indian company, a group of Boston's thinly disguised as mohaw k people and boarded ships at anchor and dumped £10,000 w orth of tea into the harbor, an event w ell know n as the Boston Tea Party.

#### The battle of Lexington:

It is not clear who fired the first shot, but it sparked a skirmish that left eight Americans dead. They were outnumbered and running low on ammunition Concord numbered 273 British and more than 90 Americans.

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#### **Boston Massacre**

In Boston, a small British army detachment that w as threatened by mob harassment opened fire and killed five people, an incident soon know n as the Boston Massacre. The soldiers w ere charged with murder and w ere given a civilian trial.

Quebec act passed first continental conference:

It was called by the Committees of Correspondence because of the Intolerable Acts, the First Continental Congress happened in Philadelphia. Fifty-six delegates represented all the colonies except Georgia.



#### Declaration of independence:

After the Congress recommended that colonies form their own governments, they did. On July 2<sup>nd</sup> the Congress voted for independence; on July 4<sup>th</sup> it adopted the Declaration of Independence.

British surrender of 5,700 troops at Saratoga:

They were lacking supplies so, 5,700 British, German and loyalist forces under Major General John Burgoyne and surrender to Major General Horatio.

Surrender of General Cornwallis at Yorktown:

When they won a costly victory at Guilford Courthouse, North Carolina, on March 15, 1781, Lord Cornwallis entered Virginia to join the other British forces, setting up a base at Yorktown.

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George Washington crosses the Delaware:

George Washington and his troops cross the Delaware River on Christmas night and surprise the enemy.



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#### France allies with America:

The French had secretly furnished financial and material aid to the Americans since 1776, but with they signed in Paris and the Franco-American alliance was formed.

Treaty of Paris ends in the American Revolution:

After the British defeat at Yorktown, the land battles in America died out but the fighting continued at sea, normally between the British and America's European allies, which included Spain and the Netherlands

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