

Part 1: The Anchor Facts of American History

A. Write a brief description of the key event occurring at the date indicated.

1. 1215 AD

2. c.508 BC / c. 509 BC

3. c.3000 BC

4. 476 AD

5. 1607 AD / 1620 AD

B. Use your knowledge of anchor facts to answer the following questions.

6. What kind of government was created by the Magna Carta?

7. What three examples of people who had achieved greater freedom were most important to the Founding Fathers?

8. Complete this sentence in *two ways*. “*There would be no United States of America without the Founding Fathers...*” (To save space, do not re-write the prompt. Start your answer with “...”)

Part 2: The American Revolution

9. What were “writs of assistance”? What Founding Father argued against them, and why?

10. What was the Stamp Act of 1765? Why did Patrick Henry and others see it as a sign of tyranny?

11. What caused the Boston Tea Party of 1773? How did the British government respond?

12. What was George Washington’s crucial victory in 1776? What was the key result of this victory combined with the victory at Saratoga?

13. What were three important reasons why, even after winning the Revolutionary War, the thirteen colonies might still not form a true *United States of America*?

Part 3: The Founding Era

14. What name is given to each addition made to the Constitution? What is the name of the *sum* of the additions made to the Constitution immediately after the American government was first formed? Why were these additions made?

15. Explain *three* things the Founding Fathers did as presidents to help make sure the United States would remain *independent* during the Founding Era.

Part 4: Bonus Questions

16. What is the final line from Patrick Henry's most famous speech?

17. What were the promoters and opponents of the Constitution called during the Critical Period?

18. Where was the final major battle of the Revolutionary War fought?

19. From whom did Jefferson purchase Louisiana?

20. What are the names of the two-part parliament (or "Congress") of the United States?
