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Slaves in the American Revolution Web-Guide

Do Now:

Get out your American History textbook and turn to the chapter(s) that are about the American Revolution. Identify and summarize any text and pictures that discuss the role of slaves in the war.

What do you notice about how your textbook covers the role of slaves in the American Revolution? Why do you think this is so? Do you think any changes should be made?

1. Read the three quotes by Samuel Johnson, Abigail Adams, and Prince Whipple on the first page. What paradox do the three speakers reference?

2. Video Questions:

a. What is the "Great American Contradiction" Horton references?

b. How many slaves were freed as a result of the American Revolution?

Document Analysis	Lord Dunmore's Proclamation	Resolution passed by the Massachusetts Committee of Safety, May 1775	Excerpts from an Act of the Rhode Island legislature, February 1778
Author of Document			
Date			
Intended Audience?			
List 3 things the author says that you think are important			
Why was this written?			
Write a question to the author			

Individual Analysis

Name of Individual	
Why did your individual enlist?	
What was your individual's enlistment experience like?	
What happened to your individual after the Revolutionary War?	

Directions:

In the space below, write a letter to your history textbook editor advocating for the inclusion of information about the African American individual you studied.

Dear Editor,

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