

Independence Day

HISTORY OF DECLARATION

READING COMPREHENSION



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HISTORY OF THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE

Have you ever wondered why July 4th is such an important day in American history? It's because of something called the Declaration of Independence! Let's dive into the fascinating story behind this historic document.

THE THIRTEEN COLONIES

Long ago, before America was a country, it was made up of thirteen colonies. These colonies were ruled by Britain, but the people who lived there wanted to be free from British rule. They dreamed of having their own country where they could make their own rules and decisions.

WRITING THE DECLARATION

In 1776, brave leaders from these colonies gathered together to write a special paper called the Declaration of Independence. This document was like a letter to the king of Britain, explaining why the colonies wanted to be free. They wrote about their rights and why they believed they should govern themselves.

BOLD SIGNATURES

After much debate and hard work, the Declaration of Independence was finally finished. On July 4th, 1776, the leaders gathered again to sign this important paper. Each signature was a symbol of courage and determination, showing the world that the colonies were united in their quest for freedom.

DECLARATION DAY

When the Declaration was signed, it was a day of great celebration. People cheered and they were taking part in the independence. But it was not just a day of celebration, it was a day of fight for freedom.

SPREADING THE NEWS

After the Declaration was signed, copies were printed and sent all across the country. People read it aloud in town squares and shared the exciting news with their friends. They wanted everyone to know that they were united and fighting for their freedom.

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Choose the correct answer.

main focus of the passage is about the Declaration of Independence. It was signed on July 4th, 1776, and it was a very important document. It was the first time that the American colonies declared their independence from Britain. It was a day of great celebration, and it was a day of fight for freedom.

**READING COMPREHENSION
MCQ'S
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ANSWER KEY**

READING PASSAGES WITH TEXT DEPENDENT QUESTIONS

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When the Declaration of Independence was signed, it was a day of great celebration and joy. People cheered and waved flags, knowing that they were taking a big step towards independence. But they also knew that their fight for freedom was just beginning.

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SPREADING THE NEWS

After the Declaration was signed, copies were printed and sent all across the colonies. People read it aloud in town squares and shared the exciting news with their neighbors. It inspired them to join together and fight for their rights as Americans.

A NEW NATION

The Declaration of Independence marked the birth of a new nation – the United States of America. It was a turning point in history, setting the stage for the Revolutionary War and the fight for independence. Thanks to the bravery and determination of those who signed it, America became a land of freedom and opportunity for all.



CONCLUSION

So, the next time you see fireworks lighting up the sky on July 4th, remember the incredible story behind this special day. It's a reminder of the courage of our ancestors and the power of standing up for what you believe in. Happy Independence Day!

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DIRECTIONS. CHOOSE THE CORRECT ANSWER.

1. What is the main focus of the passage?

- a) The history of fireworks
- b) The significance of July 4th
- c) The story of the American Revolution
- d) The importance of the Declaration of Independence

2. Who wrote the Declaration of Independence?

- a) British leaders
- b) Leaders from the thirteen colonies
- c) French diplomats
- d) Spanish explorers

3. Why did the colonies want to be free from British rule?

- a) They wanted to create their own rules and decisions.
- b) They wanted to join other European countries.
- c) They wanted to establish a monarchy.
- d) They wanted to continue being ruled by Britain.

4. When was the Declaration of Independence signed?

- a) July 2nd, 1776
- b) July 3rd, 1776
- c) July 4th, 1776
- d) July 5th, 1776

5. What did each signature on the Declaration represent?

- a) A symbol of courage and determination
- b) A promise to obey the British king
- c) A declaration of war against Britain
- d) A request for help from other countries

SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

1. What is the Declaration of Independence?
2. Who wrote the Declaration of Independence?
3. When was the Declaration of Independence signed?
4. What did each signature on the Declaration represent?
5. What did the Declaration of Independence mark?

6. What event marked the birth of the United States?

- a) The signing of the Constitution
- b) The Battle of Lexington
- c) The Declaration of Independence
- d) The Treaty of Paris

7. How did people react when the Declaration of Independence was signed?

- a) They protested against it.
- b) They celebrated with joy and excitement.
- c) They ignored it.
- d) They were confused about its meaning.

8. What did people do after the Declaration of Independence was signed?

- a) They forgot about it.
- b) They threw it away.
- c) They read it aloud and shared the news.
- d) They hid it from the British soldiers.

9. What did the Declaration of Independence do?

- a) Start a new war
- b) Move to Europe
- c) Join together and fight for their rights
- d) Surrender to the British

10. What does the passage suggest about the July 4th?

- a) It's just another ordinary day.
- b) It's a day for celebrating fireworks.
- c) It marks an important milestone in American history.
- d) It's a day for mourning the loss of lives.

ANSWER KEY

MCQS

1. d) The importance of the Declaration of Independence
2. b) Leaders from the thirteen colonies
3. a) They wanted to create their own rules and decisions.
4. c) July 4th, 1776
5. a) A symbol of courage and determination
6. c) The Declaration of Independence
7. b) They celebrated with joy and excitement.
8. c) They read it aloud and shared the news with others.
9. c) Join together and fight for their rights
10. c) It marks an important milestone in American history.

SHORT-ANSWER QUESTIONS

1. The Declaration of Independence is a special paper that explained why the colonies wanted to be free from British rule.
2. Leaders from the thirteen colonies wrote the Declaration of Independence.
3. The Declaration of Independence was signed on July 4th, 1776.
4. Each signature on the Declaration represented a symbol of courage and determination.
5. The Declaration of Independence marked the birth of the United States of America.

10 - MCQ'S & 5 QUESTIONS

ANSWER KEY INCLUDED

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