



Chapter 6: The American Revolution

Section 1: Fighting Begins in the North – Pages 168-171

As You Read: All of the following statements are **false**. Write the correct words in the blank to fix the false words.

1. Within a few days of the fighting at Lexington and Concord, between 10,000 and 15,000 militia rushed to Boston. They quickly found the nearest British officer and surrendered. This ended the Revolutionary War.

2. On May 10, 1775, colonial delegates met at the Second Continental Congress. Most of the delegates hoped to strike at the British navy with a surprise attack that would quickly end the war.

- ③ After much debate, the delegates to Congress sent the Olive Branch Petition to King George, declaring independence from Britain as well as insulting the King's momma. As a result of the petition, King George sent 20,000 more troops to the colonies in order to crush the Americans.

4. In early May of 1775, the Green Mountain Boys captured Fort Ticonderoga from the British. With the fort, the Green Mountain Boys captured a huge supply of tea and crumpets from the fort's commander.

- ⑤ Congress appointed Benjamin Franklin as the commander of the Continental Army. He faced a huge challenge because the Americans soldiers were unorganized, poorly trained, and didn't trust fellow soldiers from different colonies.

- ⑥ When the war began, about one third of the colonists wanted to fight the British. The colonists who favored war against Britain called themselves War Birds. _____
7. The British were a powerful foe. They had highly trained, experienced troops. Their navy was mostly made up of men who weren't good enough to join the air force. _____
8. American colonists who remained loyal to Britain were known as Loyalists. They included people who eat fish and chips, Beatles fans, and guys who looked great in red coats.

- ⑨ The Battle of Bunker Hill was the first major battle of the American Revolution. It proved that Americans would gladly fight for almost no reason whatsoever. It also showed that the British really wanted that hill. _____

10. In January of 1776, Washington had a stroke of good fortune. The cannons that the Green Mountain Boys had captured at Fort Ticonderoga arrived in Boston. Washington had the cannons placed in hot air balloons floating above the British navy. When General Howe saw the American cannons in place, he and his troops fled from Boston to Canada.

- ⑪ King George III ordered a blockade of all colonial ports. A blockade is a sneak attack by the king's ninja strike forces.
