Unit 2 Midterm Review Questions

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| 1.Which period of time in history gave us ideas such as natural rights, consent of the governed, republicanism, and the social contract? | 2. Baron de Montesquieu came up with a way to limit the power of government which the US eventually adopted. What was that idea? | 3. When Thomas Jefferson suggests that the government exists solely for the protection of people, what idea is he discussing? |
| 4. When Thomas Jefferson writes about life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness, who did he “borrow” the idea from? | 5. Who is associated with the idea below? | 6. Which event will eventually lead to the American Revolution as salutary neglect ends and the British start to rule the colonies with new taxes and laws? |
| 7. What role does Paul Revere play in the Revolution? | 8. Which laws passed by the government spurred the protest phrase “no taxation without representation?” | 9. What was the purpose of the Declaration of Independence? |
| 10. “Volumes have been written on the subject of the struggle between England and America. Men of all ranks have embarked in the controversy, from different motives, and with various designs; but all have been ineffectual, and the period of debate is closed. Arms as the last resource decide the contest; the appeal was the choice of the King, and the Continent has accepted the challenge.”According to this quote in Common Sense, who does Thomas Paine blame for the violence? | 11. What does Valley Forge illustrate about the plight of the American soldier during the war? | 12. What makes George Washington an effective leader of the Continental Army? E:\American History\American History 1 2014-2015\Pictures\Unit 2 - Revolution\Washington Crosses the Delaware.png |
| 13. How are the Intolerable Acts and the Boston Tea Party related? | 14. What is the significance of the battle at Lexington and Concord? | 15. Francis Marion, otherwise known as the Swamp Fox, illustrates one of the advantages that the American army had over the British. What is it? |
| 16. Why is the win at Saratoga so important for the Continental (American) Army? | 17. Why did the British army surrender at Yorktown? | 18. What is one reason why a person remained neutral in this battle? |
| 19. What were two reasons the Patriots gave for their rebellion? | 20. What was a reason why someone may have been a Loyalist? | 21. Many African Americans who were Patriots became very frustrated after the American Revolution. What was the reason for this frustration? |
| 22. When Abigail Adams states that women won’t be held accountable for laws they had no say in, what is she telling her husband that women want? | 23. The public school system in American begins to be set up during this period. What idea about our public school system comes from the colonial experience? | 24. Why did the Americans win the American Revolution? (Hint: what advantages did we have over the British?) |