

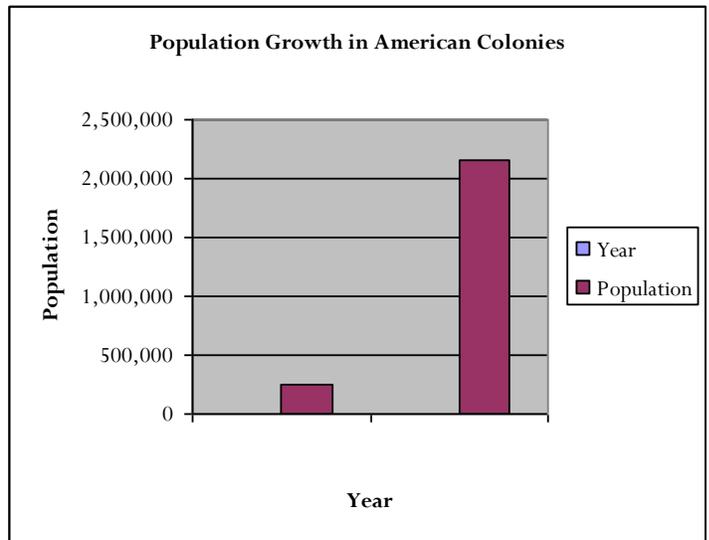
UNIT 6: THE AGE OF REASON
Reading Guide 38: The American Revolution

Directions: Complete each question after reading.

22.4: The American Revolution

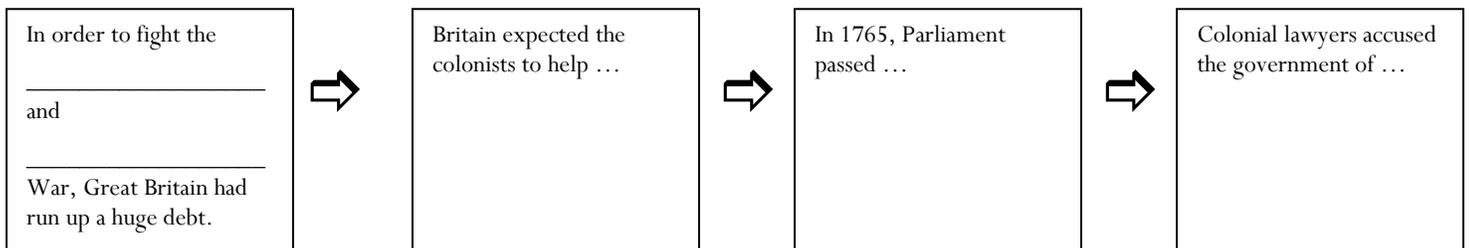
• **Objective A: Describe America’s colonies in the late 1700s.**

1. A growing number of England’s colonists in North America accused England of _____.
2. The first column in the chart represents the American population in the year _____.
3. The second column in the chart represents the American population in the year _____.
4. By the mid-1700s, colonists had been living in America for nearly _____ years.
5. The 1651 Navigation Act was an example of what economic theory discussed during Unit IV?



• **Objective B: List events that led to the American Revolution.**

6. Complete the cause and effect chart:

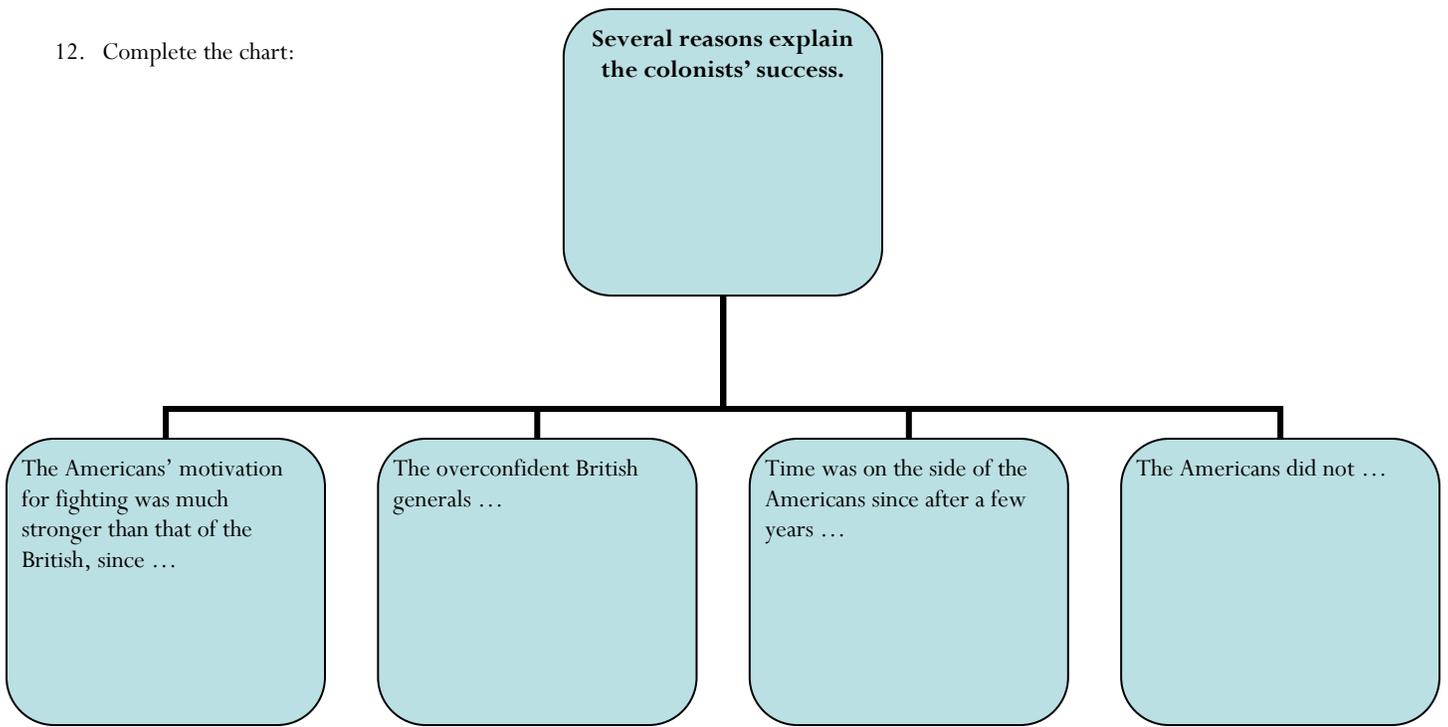


7. How did George III react to the “Boston Tea Party?”
8. On _____, British soldiers and American militiamen exchanged gunfire on the village green in _____, _____. The fighting soon spread to _____.
9. The Second Continental Congress voted to _____ and organize for battle under the command of a Virginian named _____.

• **Objective C: Explain the Enlightenment’s influence on American government.**

10. Colonial leaders used _____ ideas to justify independence. The colonists were justified in rebelling against a tyrant who had ...
11. In _____, the Second Continental Congress issued the _____. It was written by political leader _____ and based on the ideas of _____ and the Enlightenment.

12. Complete the chart:



13. Why did Louis XVI of France help the Americans?

14. Where did Cornwallis surrender?

15. The first American constitution of 1781 was known as ...

16. The Articles of Confederation created a _____ national government. It had no power to collect _____ or regulate _____.

17. The delegates at the Constitutional Convention were familiar with the political theories of _____, _____, and _____.

18. The delegates established three separate branches of government - _____, _____, and _____ which provided a built-in system of _____ and _____.

19. Define **federal system**:

20. The delegates signed the new Constitution on ...

21. Supporters of the Constitution were called _____. Their opponents, the _____, feared that the Constitution gave the central government too much power and they wanted a _____ to protect the rights of individual citizens.

22. Complete the chart:

