



Causes of the American Revolution Creating a Children's Book

Project: You will work with a group of your peers to create a children's book explaining the causes of the American Revolution. You will be sharing your book with a group of students at the elementary school.

Driving Question: What would it take for you to be angry enough with your government to storm the White House?

Requirements

- Each group member will research 3-4 key topics
- Fill out a graphic organizer for each topic researched
- Cite the source of your information
- Write a page explaining the event using elementary language
- Create illustrations that match the text for each event
- Make a table of contents for easy
- Show your knowledge of vocabulary by creating a glossary at the end of your book
- Put the key events in chronological order by making a timeline to add to your book

Time Frame: Your project needs to be completed by _____. This will require you to do some work outside of the classroom. Each member must abide by the guidelines set during your group planning session to ensure the project gets completed by the date set above.

Research: Resources for each key event are located on Mrs. Hoffman's Weebly. You may access this site at hoffmanandwit.weebly.com. Enjoy!

Children's Book Checklist



After you complete each step put an X on the list.

_____ Team Contract

- All team members need to come to an agreement on group expectations

_____ Team Work Plan

- Each group member will know and understand what role they will play in the group to help achieve the final product
- Deadlines are agreed upon by all group members

_____ Graphic Organizer: completed for each of the key events

_____ French and Indian War

_____ Proclamation of 1763

_____ Sugar Act

_____ Stamp Act

_____ Quartering Act

_____ Townshend Act

_____ Sons of Liberty

_____ Boycotts

_____ Committees of Correspondence

_____ Boston Massacre

_____ Tea Act

_____ Boston Tea Party

_____ Intolerable Acts

_____ Patriots and Loyalists

_____ Lexington and Concord

_____ Continental Congress

_____ Cite Your Source

- Each group member will need to keep track of where they found information during their research

Children's Book Checklist



Your book should include all of the following

_____ Table of Contents

- Create a table of contents at the beginning of your book that states what page each key event will be covered on

_____ Text

- Each key event has a page explaining the event using elementary language
- Text should be typed and error free

_____ Illustration

- All pictures or art work match the text written on the page
- Each key event is illustrated

_____ Glossary

- Explain the meaning of all the vocabulary words

_____ Timeline

- Create a timeline using the dates of all of the key events

_____ Edit/Revisions Made

_____ Proper nouns have been capitalized

_____ All sentences have correct end markings

_____ Spelling: check book for spelling errors

Glossary

Each children's book must have a glossary. Your glossary must have the following vocabulary words defined. These vocabulary words must also be underlined or in bold in the writing of your book. Your group may use other words in addition to the following:

- Colonists
- Loyalists
- Patriots
- Proclamation
- Act
- Tax
- Representatives
- Parliament
- Quartering
- Protest
- Boycott
- Sons of Liberty
- Committee
- Correspondence
- Massacre
- Declaration
- Independence

Timeline

Each group needs a timeline at the end of their book. You will need to add the following 12 events into your timeline. You will need to know the date of each event and be able to give a short summary of each event. Go to http://www.softschools.com/teacher_resources/timeline_maker/ and put each of these events into your timeline. When you are finished, print your timeline and add it to your book.

1. French and Indian War
2. Proclamation of 1763
3. Sugar Act
4. Stamp Act
5. Quartering Act
6. Townshend Act
7. Committees of Correspondence
8. Boston Massacre
9. Tea Act
10. Boston Tea Party
11. Intolerable Acts
12. Lexington and Concord