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The American Revolution

The American Revolution was a war between the thirteen English colonies in North America and their parent country, England. The war lasted from 1775 to 1783. In 1775, England sent troops to force the colonists to pay taxes. The war began in Massachusetts in April 1775. On July 4, 1776, the colonial delegates adopted the Declaration of Independence. During this session of Congress, the members appointed George Washington as commander in chief of all the colonial armies. They issued paper money and established local governments. There were many battles in the fight for Independence. Finally, in September 1783, a peace treaty was signed in Paris. America had won its independence from England! In 1787, delegates from the newly formed republic met in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to write the Constitution. This Constitution gave extensive powers to the central government, especially in the areas of economics and war, and also gave power to the individual states.

La Revolución Americana

La Revolución Americana fue una guerra entre las trece colonias inglesas de Norteamérica y su país de origen, Inglaterra. La guerra duró de 1775 a 1783. En 1775, Inglaterra envió tropas para forzar a los colonizadores a pagar impuestos. La guerra comenzó en Massachusetts en abril de 1775. El 4 de julio de 1776, los delegados coloniales adoptaron la Declaración de Independencia. Durante esta sesión del Congreso, los miembros nombraron a George Washington comandante en jefe de todo el ejército de las colonias. Emitieron billetes y establecieron gobiernos locales. Hubo muchas batallas en la lucha por la independencia. Finalmente, en septiembre de 1783, se firmó un tratado de paz en París. ¡Las colonias americanas habían ganado su independencia de Inglaterra! En 1787, los delegados de la recién formada república se reunieron en Filadelfia, Pennsylvania para redactar la Constitución. Esta Constitución otorgó extensos poderes al gobierno central, especialmente en las áreas de economía y guerra, y también otorgó poderes a los estados individuales.

Fill in the Blank * Llène el Espacio

Llene cada espacio con una palabra de la lista del vocabulario de la página 7. Use cada palabra solamente una vez.

1. The _____ refused to pay the unfair taxes.
2. England had many _____ from maintaining its colonies.
3. _____ were the colonists upset?
4. The colonists _____ to pay the taxes.
5. In 1783, they went to Paris to _____ a peace treaty.
6. There were thirteen _____ .
7. The colonists had to _____ high taxes on tea.
8. The _____ began in Massachusetts.
9. England sent _____ to force the colonists to pay taxes.
10. England imposed _____ on the colonies.
11. America won its _____ from England.
12. The _____ leaders adopted the Declaration of Independence.