

## **8th Grade Fall Semester Post-Test Study Guide**

*This final exam will consist of 30 questions assessing knowledge from Fall Semester.  
Guide is used to prepare and review, but not allowed to be used during the assessment.*

### American Revolution Era

Patriots	Loyalists	Declaration of Independence
Taxes	Boston Massacre	Sons of Liberty
Tyranny	Battle of Saratoga	Battle of Lexington and Concord
Thomas Paine	Patrick Henry	Benjamin Franklin
Paul Revere	Acts of Parliament	Colonial Protests

- 1) What were major events that led up to the Revolutionary War?
  
- 2) What is the ideology behind the Declaration of Independence and what is its purpose?
  
- 3) What were major battles during the Revolutionary War and what were their importance? (i.e. Lexington and Concord, Saratoga, Yorktown, Trenton)
  
- 4) What were varying perspectives of the Boston Massacre?

### New Nation, Constitution & Government

New Jersey Plan	Great Compromise	Virginia Plan
Constitutional Convention	Constitution	Natural Law/Natural Rights
John Locke	Second Treatise of Government	Social Contract
Articles of Confederation	Federalism	Miranda v. Arizona
Federalist/Anti-Federalist	Bill of Rights	Amendments/Ratification
Dictatorship	Democracy	Separation of Powers
Checks and Balances	Representative Democracy	Totalitarianism

- 1) How did John Locke's theories influence our founding fathers? What were some of his primary ideas?
- 2) How did the Constitutional Convention help the thirteen colonies become one nation? What were the arguments of Federalists/Anti-federalists? What were the compromises that came out of the convention?
- 3) What were major weaknesses of the Articles of Confederation?
- 4) What are important principles of the Constitution (ie. Federalism, Popular Sovereignty, Individual Rights, Republicanism, etc.) and how are they applied ?
- 5) What are the roles and powers of the branches in the US Government?
- 6) What are the Bill of Rights and how do they protect individual rights?
- 7) What is the significance of Miranda v. Arizona?
- 8) Describe other types of government systems around the world: totalitarianism, monarchy, dictatorship, fascism, communism, militarism etc.