



Quick Check

George Washington

Name _____ Date _____

Instructions: Read each question carefully and choose the best answer.

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| <p>1. Why did the author write that it was “surprising” for Washington to caution America against having too large an army?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ⓐ because Washington was a supporter of France’s large military Ⓑ because Washington had previously expressed his desire for America to have a large army Ⓒ because Washington wanted America to expand westward Ⓓ because Washington was a strong military leader himself | <p>2. What was one reason Washington’s second term as president more challenging than his first?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ⓐ Americans wanted to go to war with the French to expand westward. Ⓑ Citizens were upset that the federal government was taxing whiskey makers. Ⓒ Washington was asked to create new laws to be part of the Constitution. Ⓓ Washington’s wife, Martha, became sick and he had to move back to Mount Vernon. |
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3. What caused three thousand of Washington's men to desert the army during the Revolutionary War?
 - Ⓐ They believed that Washington was a weak leader who supported the British.
 - Ⓑ They lacked food and supplies and suffered through a harsh winter.
 - Ⓒ They had served enough time and were given permission to leave the army.
 - Ⓓ They had been assigned to a different fort and had to leave Washington's unit.
4. What conclusions can readers draw about George Washington?
 - Ⓐ He was a pushover who let others tell him what to do and how to lead.
 - Ⓑ He was a wealthy businessman who used his background in business to form the nation.
 - Ⓒ He was a brutal leader who wanted power and wealth only for himself.
 - Ⓓ He was a strong leader, both in the military and in politics, who helped form the United States.
5. Which of the following means the same as **punitive**?
 - Ⓐ destroyed and broken
 - Ⓑ battlefield
 - Ⓒ harsh and unfair
 - Ⓓ disease
6. **Extended Response:** Which of George Washington's decisions do you think has had the most impact on America today? Why do you think that?



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1. Ⓓ *Author's Point of View*
2. Ⓑ *Compare and Contrast*
3. Ⓑ *Cause and Effect*
4. Ⓓ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
5. Ⓒ *Vocabulary*
6. Answers will vary but should include an important decision made by Washington (from the text) and its impact on America today.