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

1. Which of the following about George Washington is true?
  - Ⓐ He remained loyal to King George.
  - Ⓑ He was a paid Commander of the Continental Army.
  - Ⓒ He fought only during warm weather.
  - Ⓓ He volunteered his service.
2. What does the word **independence** mean?
  - Ⓐ an official command for someone to perform a duty
  - Ⓑ freedom from the control of others
  - Ⓒ a formal written request
  - Ⓓ a person injured
3. In what year did Arnold and Allen capture Ticonderoga?
  - Ⓐ 1775
  - Ⓑ 1781
  - Ⓒ 1777
  - Ⓓ 1780
4. What conclusion can you draw from the section "Declaring Independence"?
  - Ⓐ The war ended swiftly.
  - Ⓑ The rest of the world recognized America as an independent nation.
  - Ⓒ The colonists broke away from Great Britain.
  - Ⓓ Great Britain gave America its independence.
5. What was the purpose of the Declaration of Independence?
  - Ⓐ to declare war against Britain
  - Ⓑ to explain how the colonists would govern themselves
  - Ⓒ to warn Britain that the country is about to be invaded
  - Ⓓ to describe how the colonists would tax themselves

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6. Which of the following best describes the author's purpose for writing this book?
  - (A) to show how the British government had mistreated the colonists
  - (B) to give all the facts of the Civil War and what caused it
  - (C) to describe how George Washington led the Patriots in many battles
  - (D) to explain how colonists sacrificed to win freedom from the British
7. Why were colonists upset with Britain before "the shot heard 'round the world"?
  - (A) shooting at American colonists
  - (B) taxation without representation
  - (C) causing the Boston Tea Party
  - (D) putting Boston colonists in jail
8. Read this sentence: *Britain retaliated in June 1777 by moving a large army led by General John Burgoyne south from Canada.* What does the word **retaliated** mean?
  - (A) attacked in response to being attacked
  - (B) attacked before you are attacked
  - (C) declared peace after an attack
  - (D) retreated from an attack
9. What was *Common Sense*?
  - (A) a pamphlet that wanted colonists to stay loyal to Britain
  - (B) an apology from King George III
  - (C) a pamphlet that persuaded colonists to declare independence
  - (D) a pamphlet describing America's goals for the war

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10. What is similar between the Green Mountain Boys and George Washington?
- Ⓐ Both captured Ticonderoga.
  - Ⓑ Both remained loyal to King George.
  - Ⓒ Both served in the Second Continental Congress.
  - Ⓓ Both fought for independence.
11. **Extended Response:** What were the Patriots concerned about when the war was over and they had won?
12. **Extended Response:** Explain why France and Spain were willing to send the Patriots supplies.

## Quick Check Answer Sheet

## Battling for Independence

Main Comprehension Skill: Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions

1. Ⓓ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
2. Ⓑ *Vocabulary*
3. Ⓐ *Sequence Events*
4. Ⓒ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
5. Ⓑ *Main Idea and Details*
6. Ⓓ *Author's Purpose*
7. Ⓑ *Cause and Effect*
8. Ⓐ *Vocabulary*
9. Ⓒ *Main Idea and Details*
10. Ⓓ *Compare and Contrast*
11. Answers will vary but should include the following: *The Patriots had to come together and agree on how to build a new nation, which none of them had ever done before.*
12. Answers will vary but should include the following: *Britain was their enemy, and they wanted to help the Patriots defeat the British.*