American Revolution Test Review

Handouts you should have

Enlightenment Thinkers  
Intro to the American Revolution – 13 colonies map  
British and Canadian Actions leading to the Revolution  
British imposing Rule, Americans don’t take it  
Boston Massacre (Trial and propaganda poster)  
Major Battles of the American Revolution  
Who fired the first shot source analysis  
Declaration of Independence and John Hope Franklin Obituary  
The End of, and Effects of the American Revolution

Things you need to know

* The views of Locke, Hobbes, Voltaire, Montesquieu, Rousseau
* How the American colonies were prior to the revolution (politically, geographic, “emotionally”)
* Why were the colonies important to Britain and how Britain viewed the Americans? What was their relationship?
* Terminology
  + New Englander
  + Loyalist
  + Land Speculator
  + Land Claim
  + Sons of Liberty
* What was contained in the 1763 Treaty of Paris
* Who was Pontiac and what part his actions played in the chain of events leading up to the revolution
* What was the Royal Proclamation of 1763, what instructions did it contain? How’d it anger the American Colonists
* How did the size of Quebec change between 1763 and 1774? Why would this affect the Americans?
* How did the Quebec Act of 1774 affect the Quebecois and the Americans?
* What was the purpose of the Stamp Act? What were its consequences
* What does “No taxation without representation” mean?
* Explain the significance of the Boston Massacre, the event and the poster. What where the consequences?
* What was the Tea Act of 1773 about? Why was it so appalling to the Americans?
* Why did the Boston Tea Party occur? Who lead it? What were the consequences? Why or why not was it successful?
* Be able to explain the Intolerable/Coercive Acts.
* What was and when were the first and second continental congresses?
* Explain the significance of Lexington Green/Concord
* Why was the Battle of Bunker Hill important?
* What was significant about the crossing of the Delaware and the Battle of Trenton?
* Explain Burgoyne’s plan for Saratoga
* Why was the American victory at Saratoga so vital?
* What was important about the city of Charleston?
* What was the battle of Yorktown important for the Americans?
* What did the British Empire have to recognize when signing the Treaty of Paris
* Who all signed the Treaty of Paris of 1782?
* Know 2-3 points that were important in the Treaty of Paris
* Under the Articles of Confederation, how did the American people govern themselves?
* How did the Enlightenment affect the American Constitution?
* What are the three branches of government?
* What was the Bill of Rights?
* How were the following affected by the Independence of the United States
  + Trade and Commerce
  + Frontiers and borders
  + Internal social workings
  + Equality
* Do you think the British would have ever given up the American Colonies without a fight? Would the Americans backed down?