

ROAD TO REVOLUTION CHART AND RANKING SYSTEM

Significance of 1776 as a "TURNING POINT"			
British Action	RATIONALE	Colonial Reaction	RATIONALE
Navigation Laws 1650			
Writs of Assistance 1760			
Proclamation of 1763		Resentment, and they crossed into the Ohio Valley anyway. Resulted in warfare with Natives	
Sugar Act 1764		1 st Committee of Correspondence in Mass. Boston experimented with Boycotts	
Currency Act 1764		Smoldering resentment	
Stamp Act 1765		Petitions to the King to control Parliament. Boycotts, massive violence	
Quartering Act 1765		Protests in colonial Assemblies. Petitions to the KING	

Repeal of Stamp Act 1767		Rejoicing	
Declaratory Act Same day as above		Ignored it!	
Townshend Duties 1767		Committees of Correspondence, boycotts, petitions to the KING, newspaper attacks on Parliament	
Increased Regiments in Boston, 1768		Boston Massacre March 5 th 1770	
Tea Act 1773		Protest in 4 different colonies, blocked delivery of tea. Boston Tea Party Dec. 16, 1773	
Quebec Act 1774			
Coercive Act, including the Boston Port Act 1774		The Association formed by the 1 st Continental Congress. Suffolk Resolves 1774	
Lexington and Concord April 1775		Paine's <i>Common Sense</i>	
Increased troop deployment		2 nd Continental Congress Bunker Hill, Washington as Comm-In-Chief. Olive Branch Petition	

From your readings and your completed chart, answer the following questions:

“The Americans have made a discovery, or think they have made a discovery, that we mean to oppress them; we have made a discovery, or think we have made a discovery; that they intend to rise up in rebellion against us. We know not how to advance; they know not how to retreat.”

Edmund Burke

1. What could England have done to keep the Colonials within the Empire, and still get the taxes they needed to pay for the cost of the colonies to the crown?

2. How could the colonists get the representation they SAID they wanted from Parliament? BE REALISTIC, it would have to be something Parliament would accept.

3. Was the dominant concern of the colonists economic or political (ideology)? Explain your answer FULLY!!!!

4. List 3 or 4 of the most important examples of each of the following:
 - _____ a. Parliamentary Actions

 - _____ b. British military measures

 - _____ c. Legacy of colonial religious and political ideals

 - _____ d. Restrictions on civil liberties

 - _____ e. Influential colonial leaders

 - _____ f. Inept British leadership and attitudes

5. Rank each category in what you consider to be their order of importance from 1(MOST important) to 6 (Least Important)

6. Write a complete and complex Thesis Paragraph for an essay about the causes of the American Revolution