

The Midnight Messenger Mystery

The American Revolution

Name: _____ Date: _____

Circle the best answer for 1 and 2. Answer 3 in complete sentences.

1. What did "two if by sea" mean?

- (A) The British were crossing the water
- (B) Two riders would go
- (C) The war would last two years
- (D) Two ships would attack

2. Where were the first battles of the American Revolution fought?

- (A) Yorktown
- (B) Lexington and Concord
- (C) Philadelphia
- (D) Vincennes

Read: From a Boston newspaper, 1765: "We are taxed by a Parliament in which we have not one voice. Let every family refuse to buy British cloth until this Stamp Act is repealed."

3. Why were colonists angry about the Stamp Act, and how did they respond? Use evidence from the source.

Use Historian's Claim: Claim, Evidence, Source check, Explain.

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Total: 5 points. Mastery: 4 or more.

#	Answer	Points
1	(A) The British were crossing the water	1 point
2	(B) Lexington and Concord	1 point
3	Claim: Colonists were angry because they were taxed without representation, so they responded with a boycott. Evidence: The newspaper says they were taxed by Parliament "in which we have not one voice" and asks families to "refuse to buy British cloth." Source: This is a primary source, a colonial newspaper from 1765, written to persuade Patriots, so it shows the colonists' point of view. Explain: This shows the idea of "no taxation without representation" and how boycotts pressured Britain to repeal the tax.	3 points: Claim: taxation without representation -> protest; Quotes the source; Source: 1765 newspaper, Patriot point of view.