

Battle of Trenton (1776)	George Washington leads his troops across the Delaware River and surprises the Hessians who were sleeping after their Christmas celebration.
Benedict Arnold	A general in the Continental army. Became a disloyal Patriot who tried to help the British.
Breed's Hill (1775)	The Battle of Bunker Hill was really fought at Breed's Hill. New England militia fortified Breed's Hill overlooking Boston; the British commander, General Gage ordered to attack it. Victory for the British.
Deborah Sampson	A former indentured servant from Massachusetts who disguised herself as a man and joined the Continental Army.
Ethan Allen	Leader of the Green Mountain Boys (Vermont). They captured the British Fort Ticonderoga and the fort at Crown Point 1775 (New York)
Francis Marion	Nicknamed "The Swamp Fox", he hid in the woods with his troops and led successful surprise attacks on the British forces in the South.
General Cornwallis	British general who surrendered to the American and French armies at Yorktown in 1781.
General Howe	In 1775 this British General was driven out of Boston by General Washington.
George Rogers Clark	General, who was a Virginia patriot, captured several British forts in the western region near Indiana and Illinois (1778)
John Burgoyne	British general who surrendered at the Battle of Saratoga. He was known as "Gentleman Johnny."

John Hancock	Signed the Declaration of Independence in bold handwriting so that King George III could read it without his glasses. President of the 2nd Continental Congress.
John Paul Jones	A Scottish sea captain whose ship, the Bonhomme Richard, attacked the British ship, Serapis, and won.
Lemuel Haynes	A black member of the Massachusetts militia, a minister and a member of the Green Mountain Boys
Mary Ludwig Hays	Known as a "Molly Pitcher", she carried pitchers of water to the soldiers during a battle at Monmouth, New Jersey.
Nathan Hale	A 21 year old schoolteacher from Connecticut who was spying for the Patriots. He was captured by the British and hanged. His last words were: "I only regret that I have but one life to lose for my country."
Peter Salem	Free black man who fought with the militia at the Battle of Bunker Hill
Thomas Jefferson	He wrote the Declaration of Independence and believed that the purpose of government is to protect the rights of the people.