



Are you in 5th through 12th grade?
You're invited to participate in a

Video Contest

Topic for 2026-2027

Announcement of the Declaration of Independence First Reading Grades 5–8

“To announce independence from Great Britain, the Declaration of Independence was publicly read in Philadelphia on July 8, 1776. Following this reading, the word spread throughout the colonies in newspapers, more public readings, and posted notices. Imagine you lived in Philadelphia or an area of the colonies where news did not reach you for weeks. How would you react to hearing the Declaration read in your community? With whom would you share the news? What action would you take after hearing it? How would this have impacted your life?”

Revolutionary Era Figure Grades 9–12

Select a figure from the era of the American Revolution (1773–1783). Discuss how he or she influenced the course of the American Revolution, who he or she was and the contribution that historic character made to the founding of a new nation. Your figure must have been an actual person – one who is well-known or an everyday man, woman, or child, who supported the American Revolution in ways large or small.

Video length, no more than 3 minutes. More details from Chapter.

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