American Studies: UNIT ONE STUDY GUIDE

1. The French and Indian War was significant because it was the ______________ time England the colonies ______________ together against a common enemy.

2. The Proclamation of 1763 upset the colonists because it made it ______________ for them to move ______________ of the ______________ Mountains.

3. Most colonists earned their living by ______________.

4. At first colonists ______________ land from the Indians. Problems arose because the Indians didn’t understand the concept of ______________ the land.

5. Southern colonists began relying on ______________ labor when they discovered they could make more ______________ that way.

6. Almost everyone in the colonies was ______________, some girls as young as ____. Men were considered ______________ of the household and could even legally ______________ their wives and children.

7. Most colonies allowed ______________ to vote for members of the colonial ______________.

8. Colonial assemblies made ______________ but England kept control by giving the colony’s English ______________ power to ______________ all laws.

9. Under mercantilism, England bought ______________ materials from the colonies at a ______________ price and sold ______________ goods back to the colonies at a ______________ price.

10. The MAIN cause of the Revolution was England’s violation of colonial ______________.

11. Select 3 examples of the main cause and explain each (See “...Colonial Unrest” handout):

   a. ______________

   b. ______________

   c. ______________

12. A society’s “Power Pyramid” is the way they are ______________ to get things done. Sometimes there’s ______________ person at the top, sometimes it’s a ______________.
13. The sloping sides of a “Power Pyramid” show that as you go up you have _____________ people and _______________ power.

14. Why were the colonists unhappy with the colonial government’s “Power Pyramid”? ____________________________________________________________________________________________

15. The booklet “__________________________” was written by Thomas ____________________ and reinforced Patriot belief that the ____________, not a ___________________ should rule a country.

16. Although it was a snowball fight that got out of control, the Boston Massacre was successfully used as __________________________ by protestors to stir up sympathy.

17. The American Revolution began with fighting at __________________________ and __________________________ in April of ________

18. The main author of the Declaration of Independence was ____________________________. Its two main purposes were to ____________________________ our ____________________________ against England and officially ____________________________ ties.

19. The Declaration of Independence also includes the basis of our democracy ~ what we call the ____________________________, ____________________________ (CDV’s).

20. The Declaration of Independence was accepted on ____________________________.

21. Although the Patriots ____________, the Battle of Bunker Hill convinced them they could ____________ up to the British.

22. The Battle of Saratoga is called a turning point of the war because ____________________________________________

23. Valley Forge is remembered because ____________________________________________

24. The Battle of ____________________________ was the last battle of the Revolutionary War.

25. Define the following:

   Propaganda: ____________________________

   Boycott: ____________________________

   Patriot: ____________________________

   Moderate: ____________________________

   Loyalist: ____________________________