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| **Ch 18: Enlightenment and Revolution**  | **Section 4: American Revolution**  |
| What is the Big Idea? |  |
| Why does it matter now? |  |
| **Britain and Its American Colonies**  |
| 1. In what ways did the American colonies help Britain’s economy? |  |
| **Americans Win Independence** |
| 2. Why did the French and Indian war lead to growing tension between Britain and American colonies?  |  |
| 3. Why were the colonists so upset about the passage of the Stamp Act? |  |
| 4. How did John Locke’s notion of the social contract influence the American colonists?  |  |
| 5. List reasons that explain success for the colonists in their fight for independence from Britain. |  |
| **Americans Create a Republic**  |
| 6. Why did the Articles of Confederation result in a weak national government?  |  |
| 7. How did the writers of the US Constitution put into practice the idea of separation of powers and a system of checks and balances? |  |
| 8. How did the Constitution and Bill of Rights mark a turning point in people’s ideas about government?  |  |