

AMERICAN REVOLUTION

Significant Dates & Events Timeline

March 22, 1765

The Stamp Act The first direct tax on American colonists by the British Parliament.

March 5, 1770

Boston Massacre British soldiers fire into a crowd, killing five colonists.

Dec 16, 1773

Boston Tea Party Colonists dump 342 chests of tea into the harbor to protest taxes.

April 19, 1775

Lexington & Concord The "shot heard 'round the world" marks the start of armed conflict.

July 4, 1776

Declaration of Independence The Continental Congress adopts the formal statement of separation.

Oct 17, 1777

Battle of Saratoga A major turning point that convinced France to join the American cause.

Oct 19, 1781

Siege of Yorktown General Cornwallis surrenders to Washington, effectively ending the war.

Sept 3, 1783

Treaty of Paris Great Britain formally recognizes American independence.