

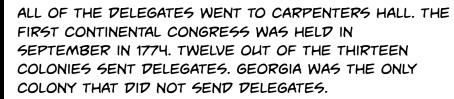
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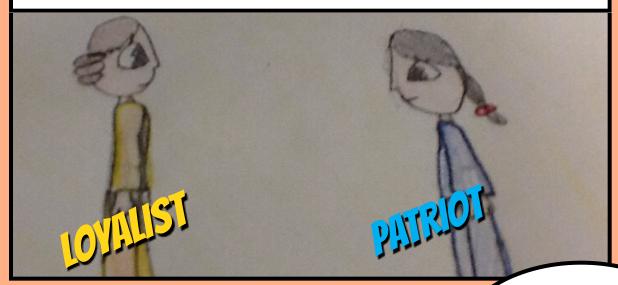
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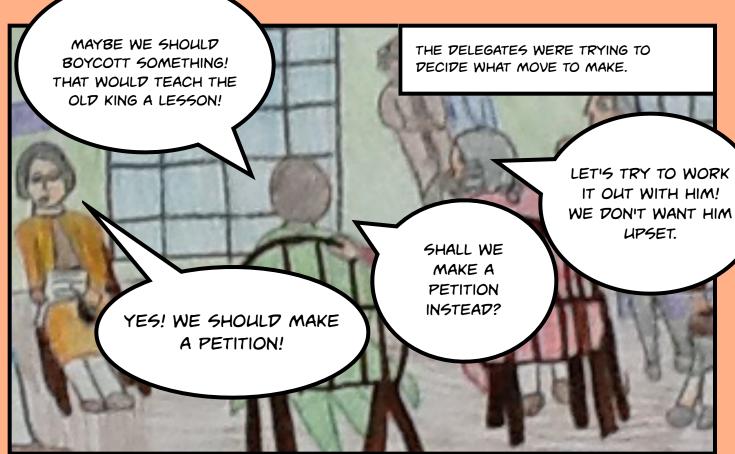
THERE WERE BOTH LOYALISTS AND PATRIOTS ATTENDING THE CONTINENTAL CONGRESS. PATRIOTS WERE READY FOR WAR, AND WERE NOT AT ALL HAPPY WITH THE BRITISH. FOR THEM THERE WAS NO TURNING BACK. LOYALISTS WANTED TO TRY AND WORK IT OUT WITH THE BRITISH AND MAKE SOME SORT OF TREATY OR COMPROMISE. THEY DIDN'T WANT A FIGHT, AND DIDN'T THINK THE KING WAS BEING UNFAIR.









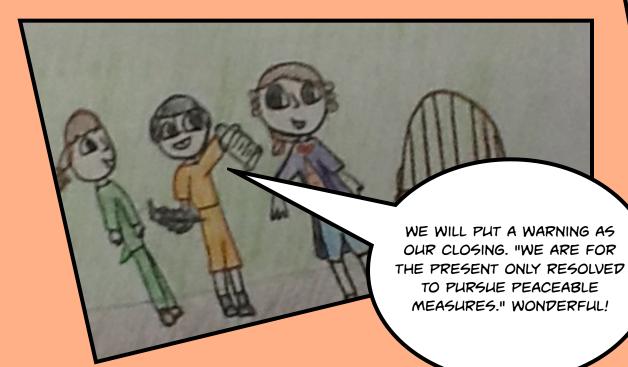




THE PETITION WAS MADE AND THE CONGRESS AGREED TO SEND IT TO PARLIAMENT. THE PETITION STATED THAT THE COLONIES HAD A RIGHT TO LIFE, LIBERTY, PROPERTY, AND THE PURSUIT OF HAPPINESS. THEY THOUGHT THEY SHOULD BE ABLE TO MAKE THEIR OWN LAWS. THE FIFTY SIX PELEGATES AGREED TO PUT A WARNING AS THEIR CLOSING.

THE DEADLINE FOR THE
PETITION IS MAY 10, 1775. IF
BY THEN THE KING DOES NOT
RESPOND, WE SHALL
ARRANGE A SECOND
MEETING.

WE WILL HOWEVER, STOP MOST TRADE WITH BRITIAN. I KNOW NOT WHAT OTHERS MAY TAKE: BUT AS FOR ME, GIVE ME LIBERTY OR GIVE ME DEATH!

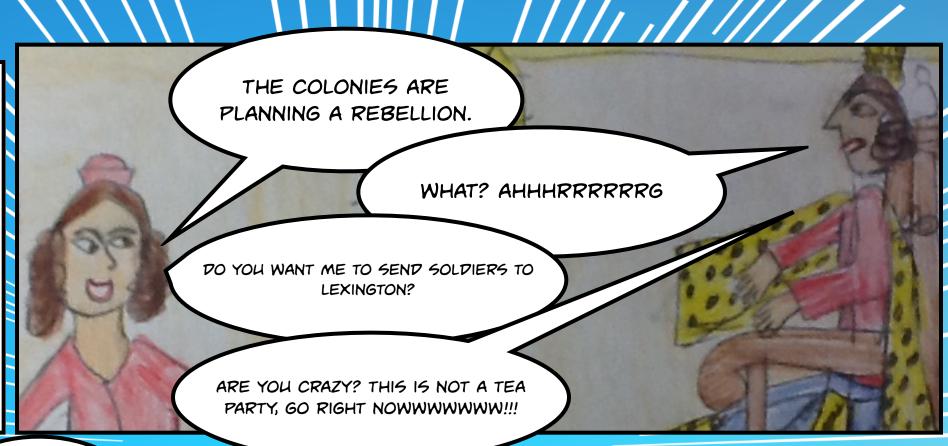








THE MEN INTENDED TO KEEP THIS SECRET, BUT THE WORD GOT OUT TO A BRITISH GENERAL THOMAS GAGE THAT SAMUEL ADAMS AND JOHN HANCOCK WERE MEETING IN THE VILLAGE OF LEXINGTON. GAGE ALSO HEARD THAT THE MINUTEMEN WERE STORING WEAPONS IN CONCORD, NEAR LEXINGTON.









GAGE THEN ORDERED 700 BRITISH SOLDIERS TO GO DESTROY THE WEAPONS AND ARREST HANCOCK AND ADAMS





LEARNING OF THE GENERALS ORDER PAUL REVERE RODE HIS HORSE TO LEXINGTON TO WARN ADAMS AND HANCOCK.





HANCOCK AND ADAMS WARNED THE MINUTEMEN AND THEY GOT READY TO FIGHT. BY THE TIME THE BRITISH CAME THEY WERE WAITING FOR THEM. ALTHOUGH NO SHOTS WERE TO BE FIRED SOMEONE DID SHOOT. IT WAS CALLED THE SHOT HEARD ROUND THE WORLD.







AFTER THE BATTLE GENERAL GAGE AND HIS REMAINING SOLDIERS MARCHED TO CONCORD HOPING TO DESTROY THE WEAPONS AND ARREST ITS CONTRIBUTORS.



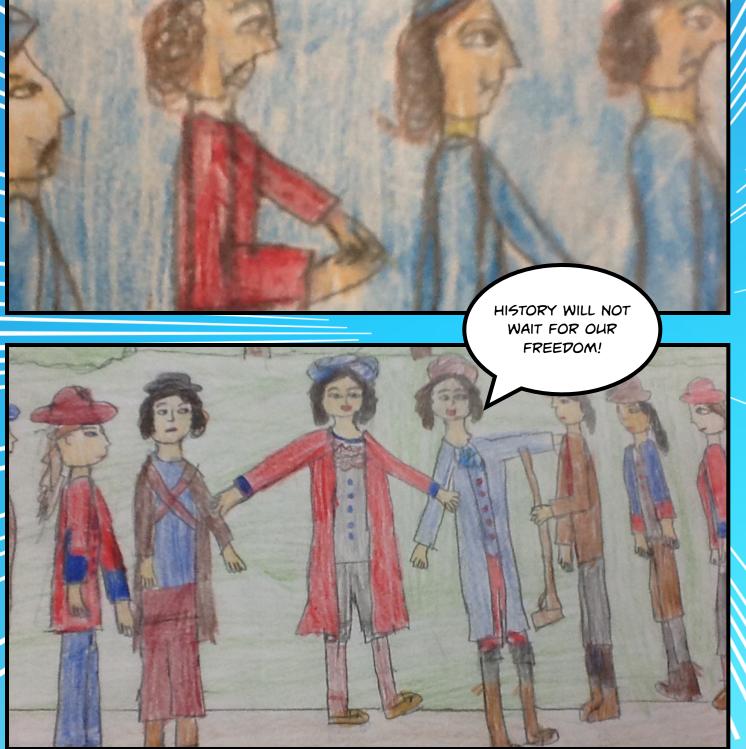








THE BRITISH HAD LOST MANY SOLDIERS COMPARED TO THE MINUTEMEN, AND KNEW THIS WAS NOT GOING TO BE AN EASY FIGHT.

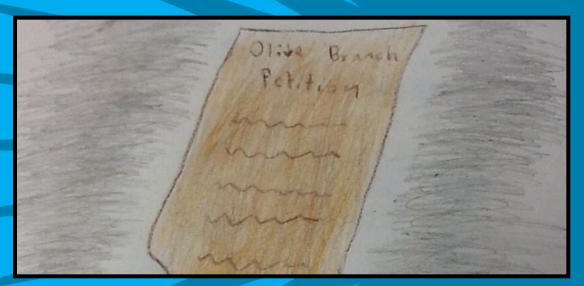


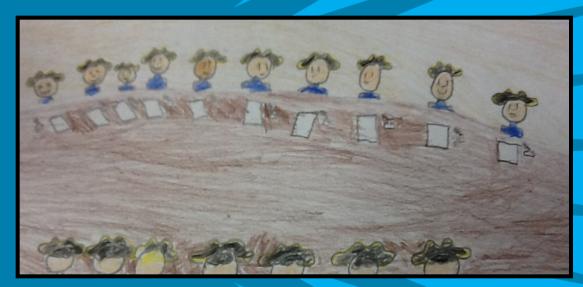


THIS MARKED THE BEGINNING OF A LONG, COLD WAR.









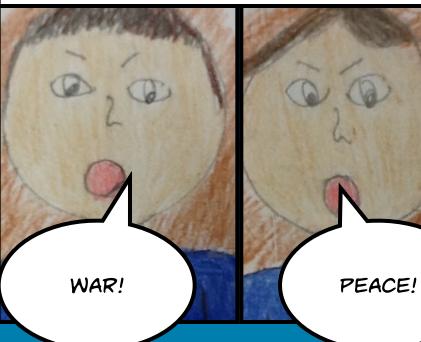
SECOND CONTINENTAL CONGRESS

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THE DELEGATES FROM THE SECOND CONTINENTAL CONGRESS MET IN PHILADELPHIA TO DISCUSS THE CURRENT SITUATION AND WHAT TO DO WITH THE COLONIES ON THE BRINK OF WAR.

THE DELEGATES DEBATED FOR WAR OR PEACE. THE ONES WHO WANTED WAR WERE PATRIOTS AND THE ONES WHO WANTED PEACE WERE LOYALISTS





THIS IS NONSENSE, WE HOPE FOR

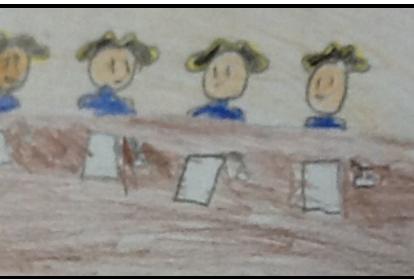




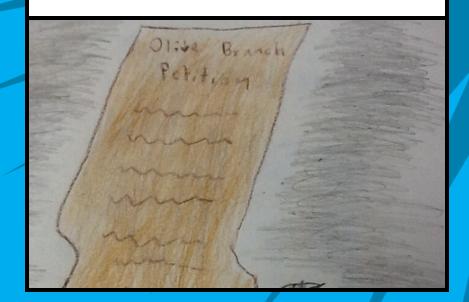




THE DELEGATES DECIDED THAT THE COLONIES WILL PROVIDE BULLETS, FOOD, GUNS AND UNIFORMS FOR THE SOLDIERS.



EVEN THOUGH THE COLONIES FORMED AN ARMY, THEY SENT THE OLIVE BRANCH PETITION BECAUSE THEY WANTED PEACE.



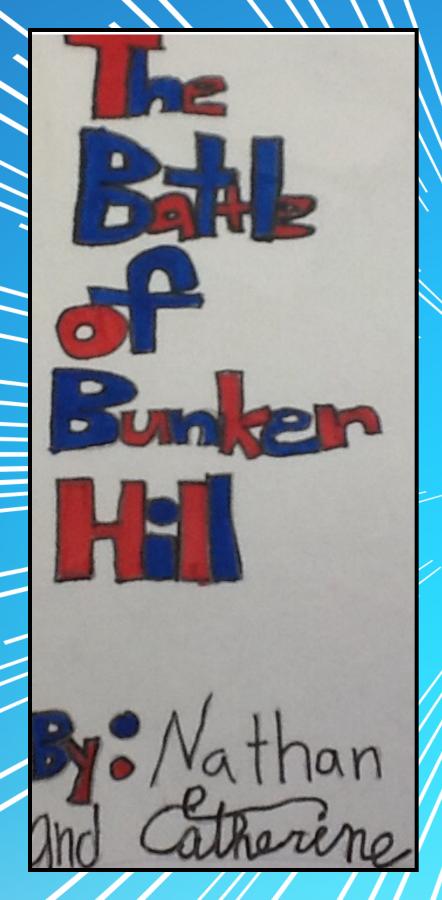
KING GEORGE III ISSUED A PROCLAMATION OF REBELLION IN THE COLONIES AND BY THE TIME THE PETITION GOT THERE IT WAS TOO LATE.



THE DELEGATES ALSO DECIDED TO FORM A SMALL NAVY WHICH WAS BETTER THAN NOTHING, BUT STILL NOTHING COMPARED TO THE HUGE BRITISH NAVY THAT ROAMED THE SEAS.

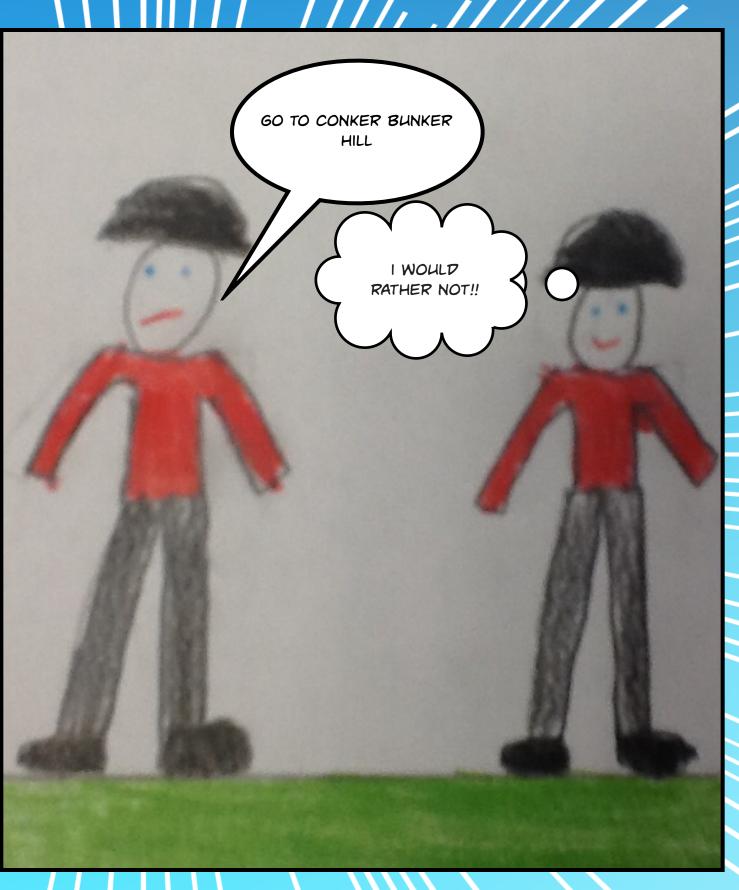
THE SECOND CONTINENTAL CONGRESS WAS ENDED AND THIS TIME, WITH GEORGIA PRESENT, THE SECOND CONTINENTAL CONGRESS FINALLY STOOD FOR ALL OF THE COLONIES.

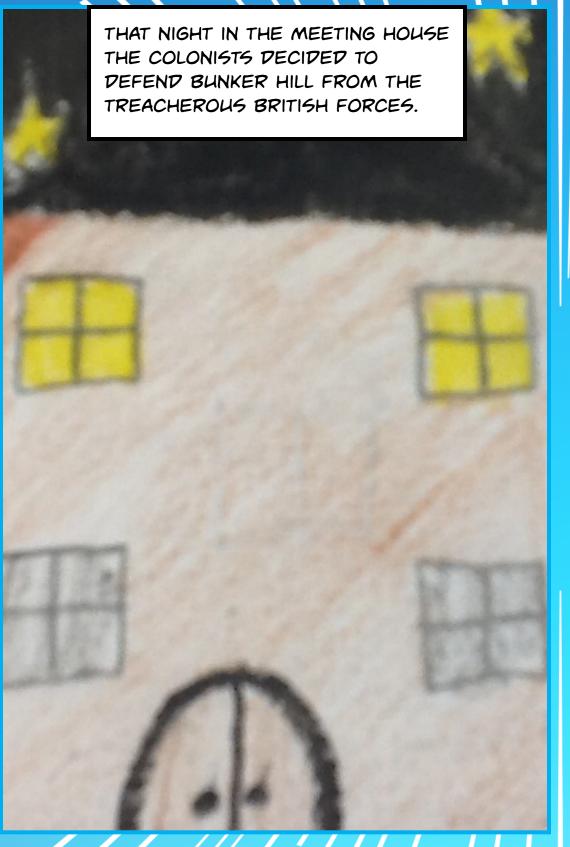


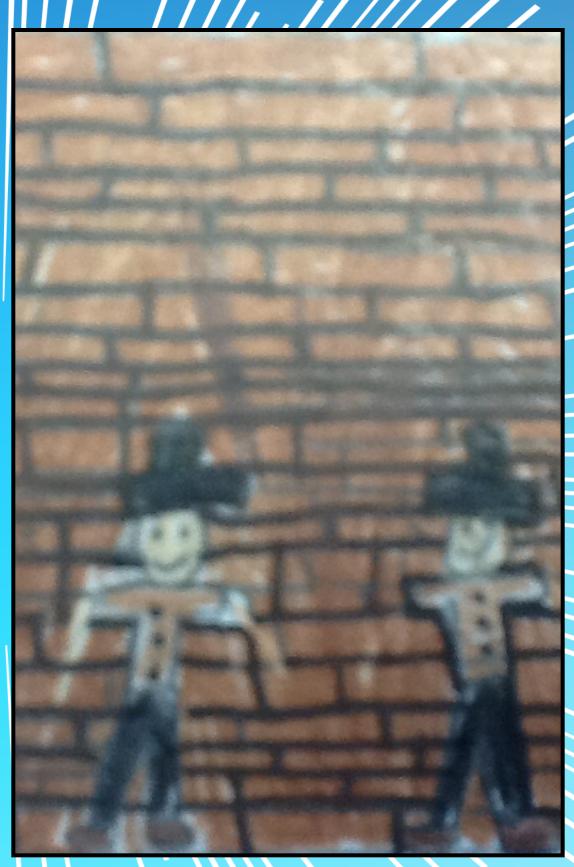


The British The Americans in the Battle of Bunker ON JUNE 16, 1775 COLONISTS BEGAN BUILDING EARTHWORKS ACROSS THE CHARLES RIVER FROM BOSTON. THE NEXT MORNING AFTER THE COLONISTS HAD BUILT THE EARTHWORKS, GENERAL GAGE HEARD THIS AND ORDERED BRITISH SHIPS IN THE HARBOR TO OPEN FIRE ON THE COLONISTS. SOON THE ANGERED GENERAL SENT GENERAL HOWE AND 2,400 SOLDIERS TO CAPTURE BREEDS HILL.









THE AMERICAN FORCES STARTED OUT STRONG BUT THEN AFTER HOURS OF FIGHTING THE AMERICANS STARTED RUNNING LOW ON AMMUNITION. GENERAL WILLIAM PRESCOTT SCREAMED AT HIS SOLDIERS TO NOT FIRE UNTIL THEY SEE THE WHITE IN THEIR EYES.

THE AMERICANS FENDED OFF THE BRITISH FORCES TWICE BEFORE THEY RETREATED. ALTHOUGH THEY LOST THE FIGHT THE AMERICANS WERE PROUD OF HOW WELL THEY HAD FOUGHT. OVER 1,000 BRITISH SOLDIERS WERE LOST, THE AMERICANS HAD FAIRED BETTER AND ONLY 115 WERE KILLED AND 305 WOUNDED.





BY: CATHERINE 6, ANNELIESE C, AND IAN D

ANGER ERUPTED ALL THROUGHOUT THE COLONIES. THE COLONISTS JUST WANTED FREEDOM FROM GREAT BRITAIN AND THEY KNEW THAT FIGHTING FOR IT MIGHT NOW BE WORTH THE EFFORT.



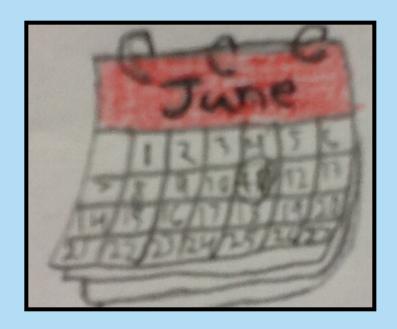


RICHARD HENRY LEE IS GIVING A SPEECH TO CONVINCE THE COLONISTS, DECLARING INDEPENDENCE FROM GREAT BRITAIN.

AFTER THE DECLARATION
RICHARD HENRY LEE GAVE
FOR INDEPENDENCE,
THOMAS JEFFERSON STARTS
WRITING THE DECLARATION
OF INDEPENDENCE WITH
THE HELP OF HIS FRIEND
BENJAMIN FRANKLIN.



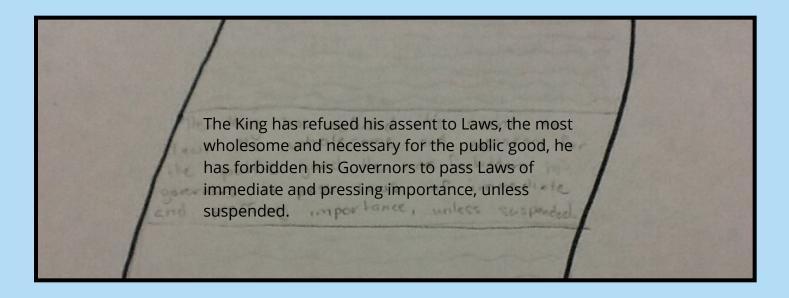
AFTER A LONG 17 DAYS OF WRITING AND REWRITING, THE DECLARATION WAS COMPLETE.



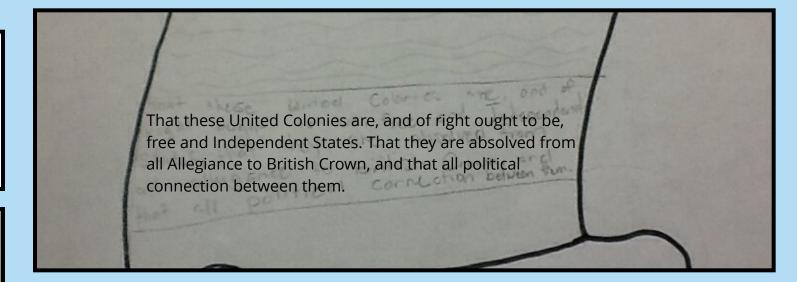
THOMAS JEFFERSON WROTE THE DECLARATION IN THREE SECTIONS.

1: THE INTRODUCTION OF THE DECLARATION STATED WHY THEY NEEDED FREEDOM.

We hold these truths to be self evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their creators, with certain unalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.



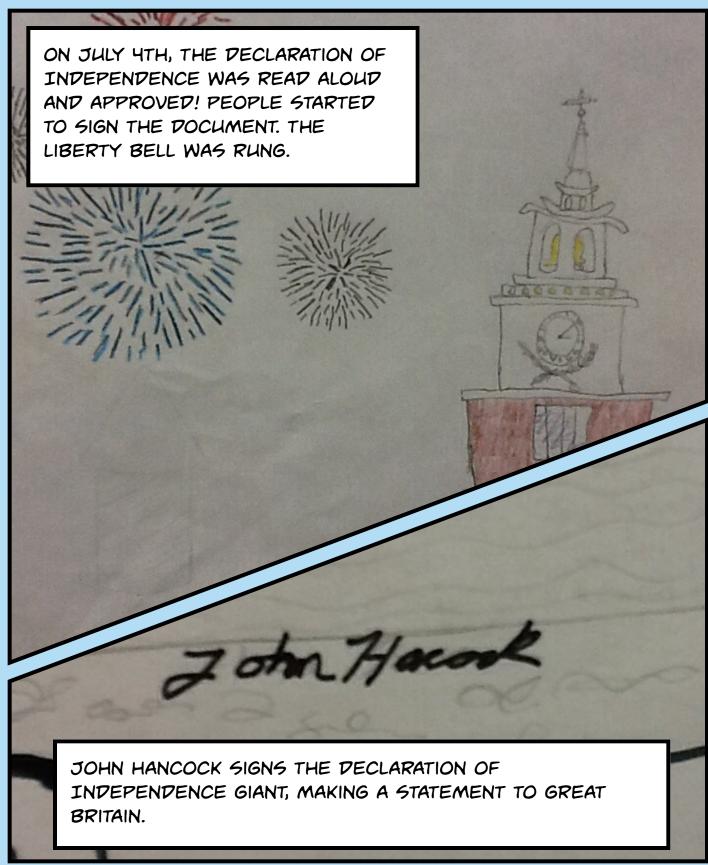
IN THE SECOND PART OF THE DECLARATION, THOMAS JEFFERSON DESCRIBED THE COLONISTS MAIN IDEAS OF GOVERNMENT.

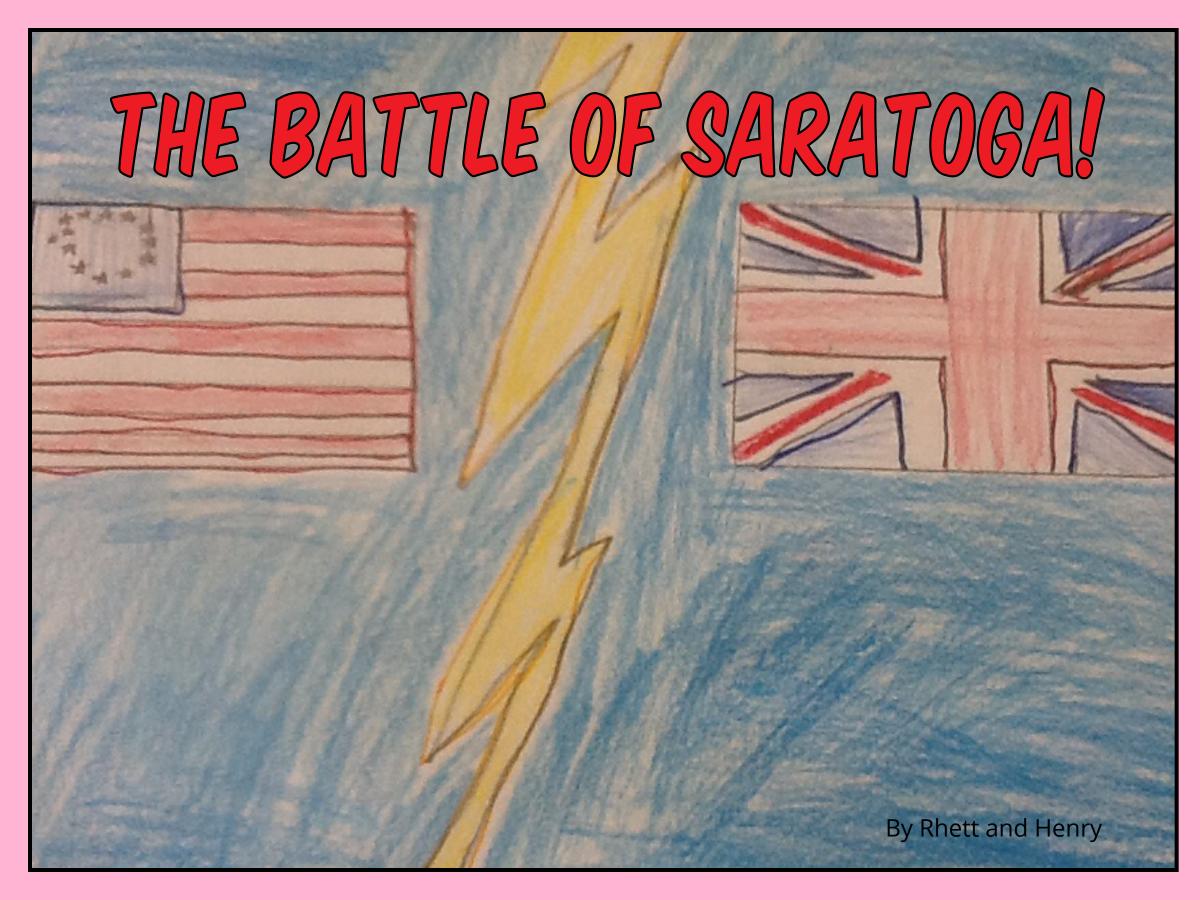


IN THE THIRD AND BIGGEST PART OF THE DECLARATION, THOMAS JEFFERSON WROTE ABOUT THE COLONISTS COMPLAINTS ABOUT THE BRITISH KING AND PARLIAMENT.



ON JUNE 28TH, THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE WAS READ ALOUD. SEVERAL DAYS LATER, THE SECOND CONTINENTAL CONGRESS VOTED ON THE DECLARATION.





IN 1777 10,000 BRITISH SOLDIERS MARCHED SOUTH IN HOPES TO TAKE CONTROL OF ALBANY, NEW YORK AND CUT OFF THE NEW ENGLAND COLONY'S SUPPLY FROM THE REST OF THE COLONY'S.



WITH THEIR LEADER, GENERAL BURGOYNE, THEY WERE CONFIDENT THAT THEY WOULD WIN.



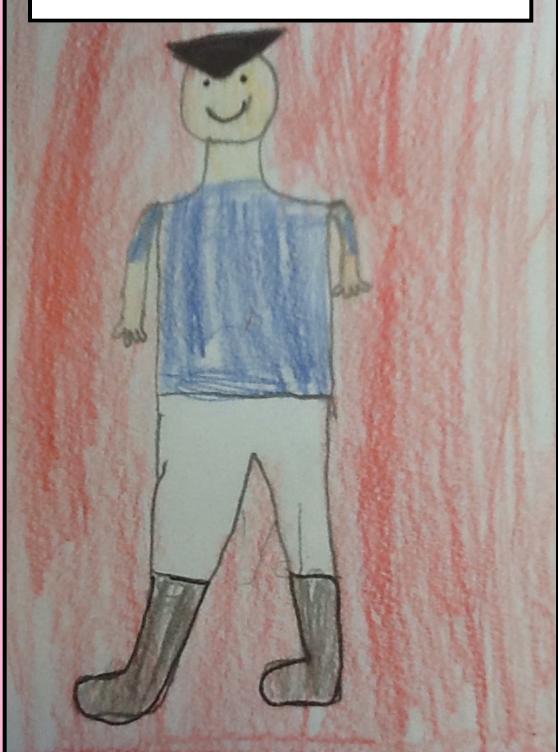




NO MATTER WHAT HAPPENED, BURGOYNE WOULDN'T STOP.



WHEN THEY REACHED SARATOGA THEY FOUND 8000 CONTINENTAL SOLDIERS LED BY HORATIO GATES WAITING FOR THEM.





AT THAT TIME BENJAMIN FRANKLIN WAS IN FRANCE TRYING TO CONVINCE THE FRENCH TO HELP BUT THEY THOUGHT THAT THE COLONY'S HAD NO CHANCE OF WINNING.

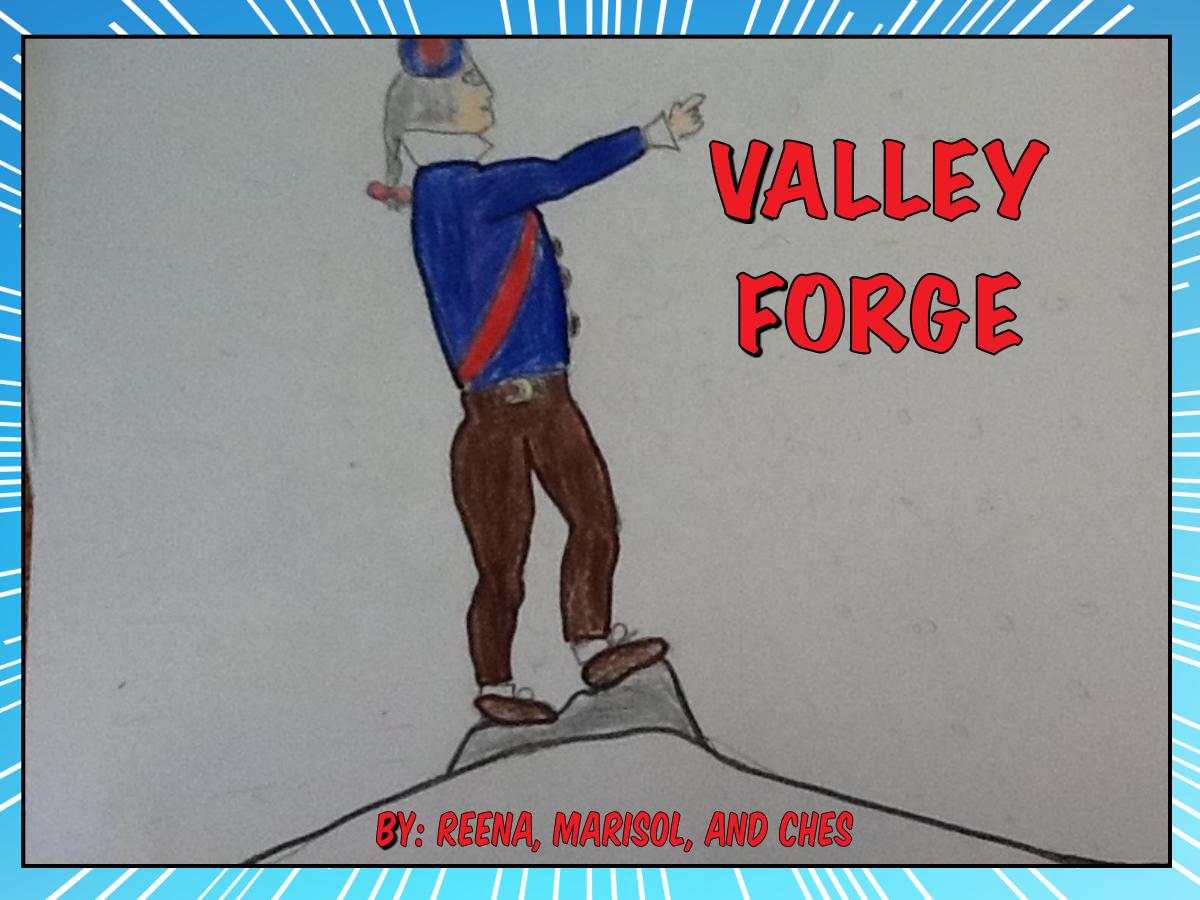


WHEN THE COLONY'S HAD THE VICTORY IN SARATOGA THE FRENCH GOT A REASON TO HELP THE COLONY'S.









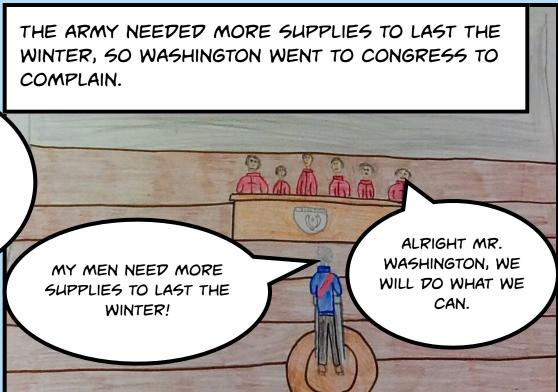


OK MEN, WE'RE
ALMOST AT VALLEY
FORGE!

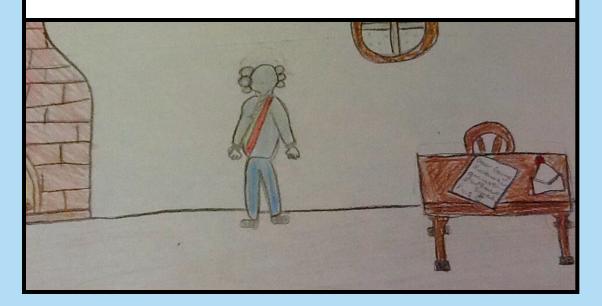
GEORGE WASHINGTON DECIDES TO TAKE HIS ARMY TO VALLEY FORGE DURING THE WINTER OF 1777, BECAUSE THEY NEEDED TO REST AND TRAIN TO BE READY TO FIGHT THE BRITISH IN THE SPRING.





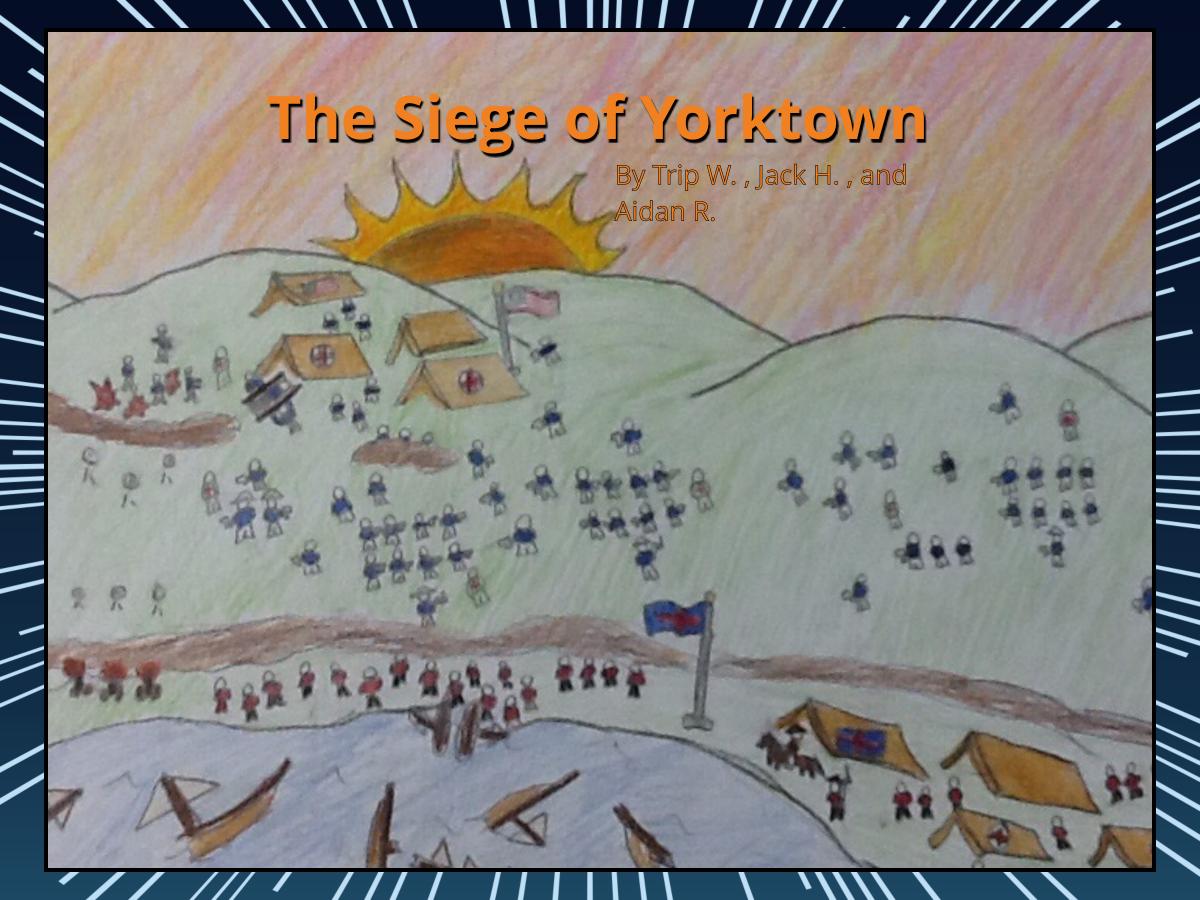


A LETTER COMES IN ADDRESSED TO GENERAL WASHINGTON, STATING THAT A NEW GENERAL NAMED, FRIEDRICH VON STUEBEN, IS GOING TO ARRIVE SHORTLY











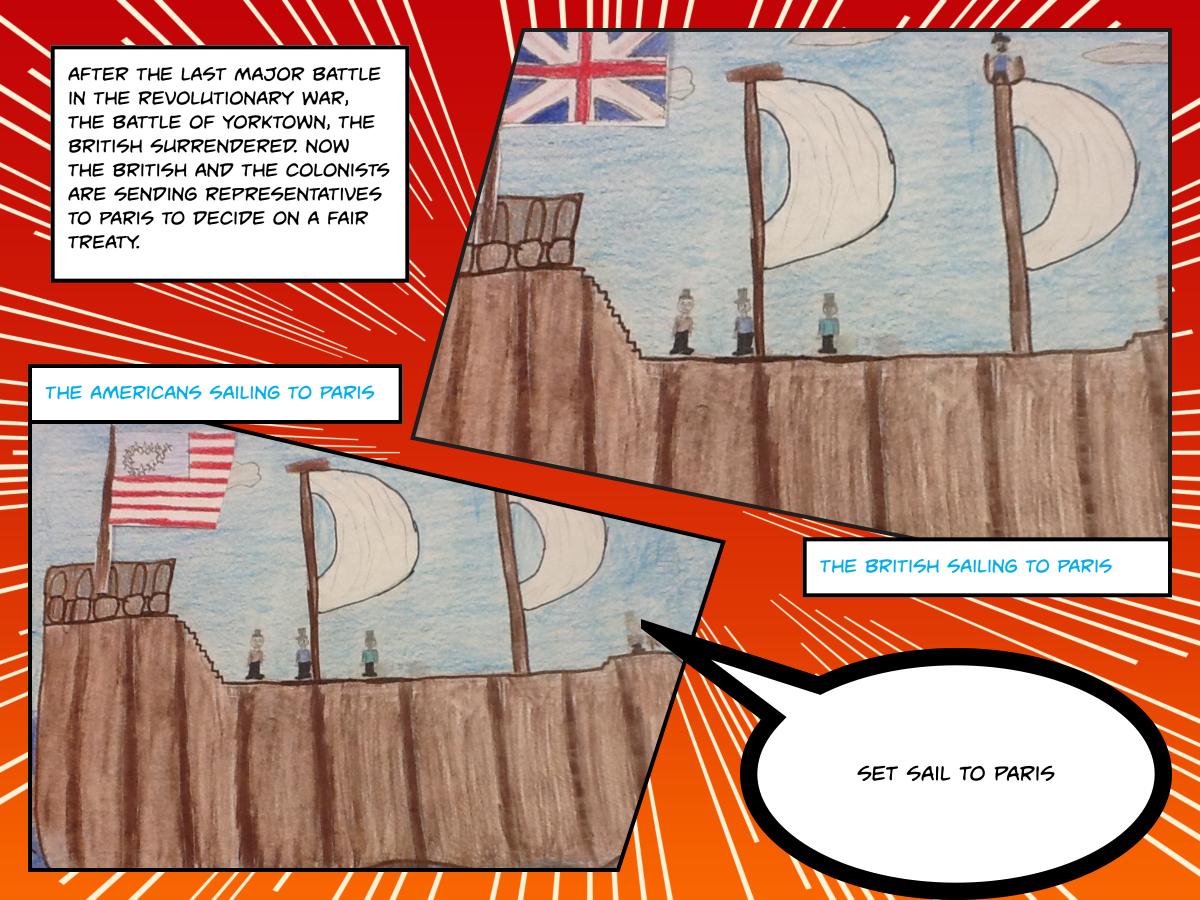


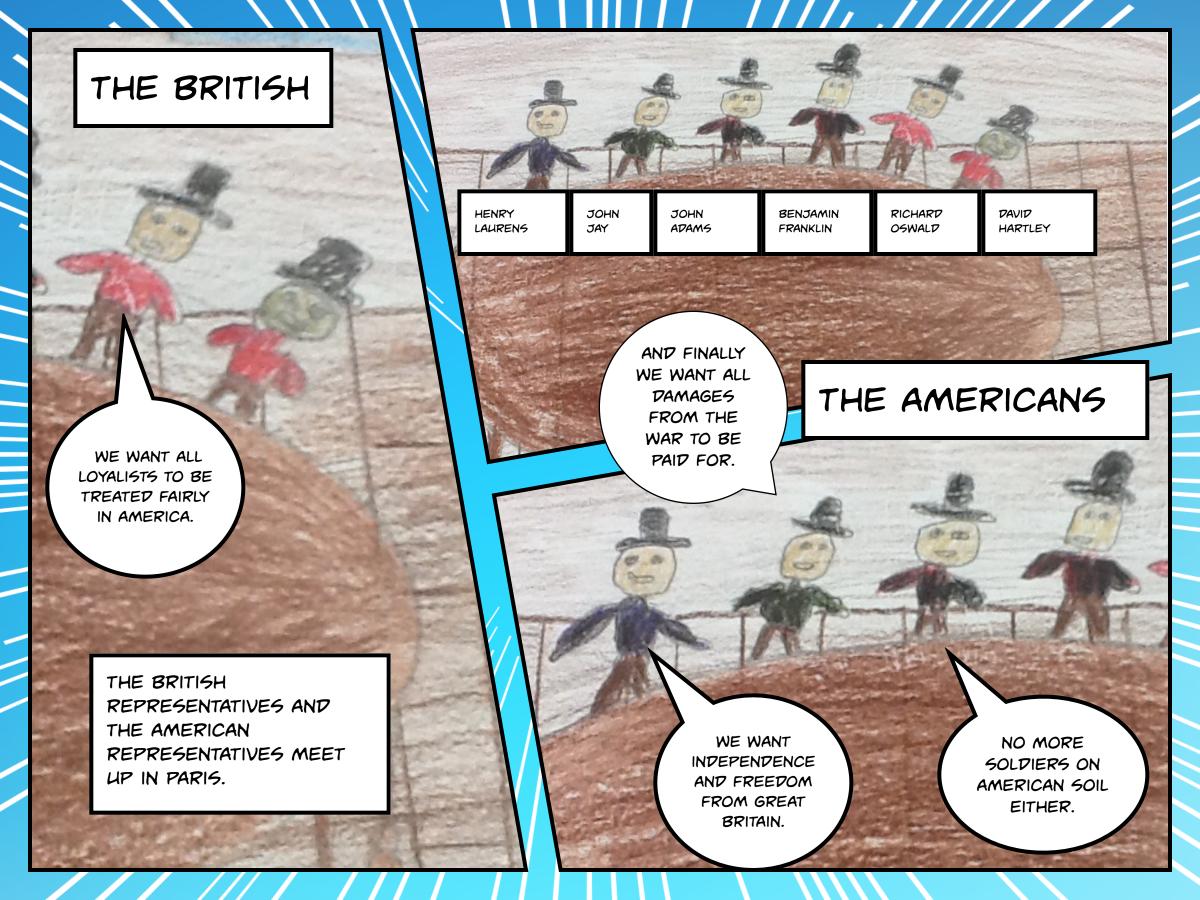




THE TREATY OF PARIS BY: NOAH, DELLA, AND JA







AFTER A LITTLE MORE THEN A YEAR OF LOTS OF TALKING, DISAGREEING, AND NEGOTIATING THE REPRESENTATIVES FINALLY SIGNED ON A FAIR TREATY ON SEPTEMBER 3, 1783.





