

**The Spirit of Independence: Guided Reading Lesson 4: Declaring Independence**

THE SPIRIT OF INDEPENDENCE

**Lesson 4 *Declaring Independence***

**Guided Reading**

**Essential Question**

*What motivates people to act?*

**The Second Continental Congress**

**Answering Questions** As you read the section, answer the questions below.

1. **Listing** Name three delegates to the Second Continental Congress who had also been at the First Continental Congress.

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2. **Analyzing** What had Benjamin Franklin done that made him one of the most respected men in the colonies?

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**Summarizing** Describe one key action the delegates took in each category.

Topic	Action
About Money	
About Mail	
About the Military	

3. Money:

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4. Mail:

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5. Military:

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6. **Identifying** Who were the Hessians and what did they do?

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7. **Describing** How did Washington and his troops capture Boston?

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**Answering Questions** As you read the section, answer the questions below.

8. **Explaining** What bold idea did Richard Henry Lee propose to the delegates at the Second Continental Congress?

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9. **Identifying** Name the five delegates chosen to write a declaration of independence.

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10. **Analyzing** What ideas that John Locke expressed in the 1690s are also in the Declaration of Independence?

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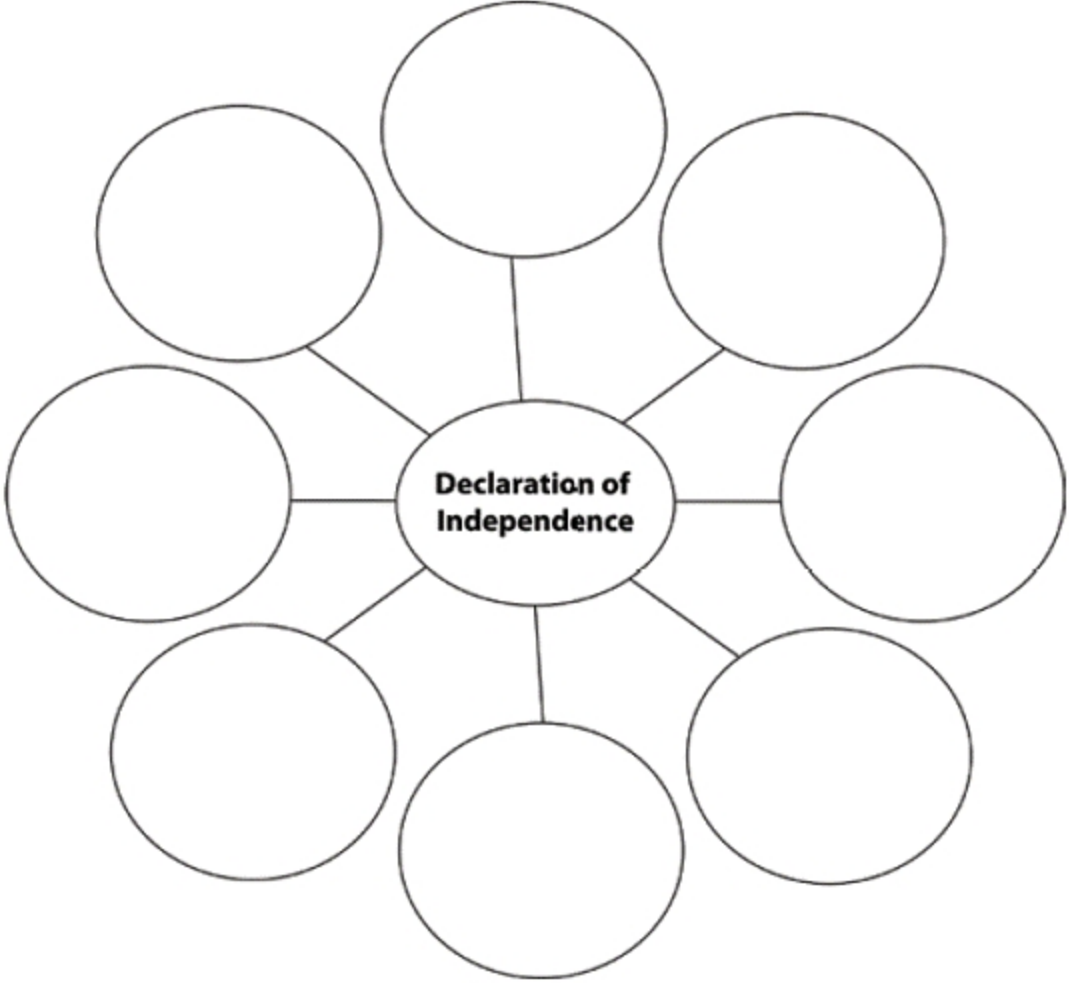
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11. **Synthesizing** Use the concept web to outline some of the grievances and rights included in the Declaration of Independence. Write one answer for each bubble on the lines provided.



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