



# ***The United States and Louisiana: Beginnings through Ratification (6)***

*Chapter 10: The Road to Independence*

*Section 1: British America in the 18<sup>th</sup> Century*

## **Guided Reading**

**Instructions:** Read the section and complete each item with words from the passages in this section.

1. In 1750, the British colonies in North America were more \_\_\_\_\_ than you might realize with a variety of languages, religions, and cultures. The colonies were thriving and most people were proud to be \_\_\_\_\_ citizens.
2. Most European countries had a \_\_\_\_\_, a leader that was believed to have been ordained by God as the leader of the country from a long line of royal leaders. This person, the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ families ruled the country.
3. During the \_\_\_\_\_, many groups of people became more educated and started to question the government. People wanted to make more reasoned and \_\_\_\_\_ decisions. This led to changes in \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
4. The \_\_\_\_\_ was led by ministers who wanted to revive religion in the colonies. This movement encouraged colonists to revitalize their religious beliefs and act on them. It caused many people to \_\_\_\_\_ against their own churches and ministers.
5. Colonists felt vital to their empire because they provided \_\_\_\_\_. The growing colonies were also a valuable market for British manufacturers. The British received \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ among other things from this trade. The American colonists received \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_.

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6. \_\_\_\_\_ is the exchange of profitable goods through trade. Britain wanted to make sure that it remained successful and so it placed \_\_\_\_\_ on items made in other countries. These taxes were meant to \_\_\_\_\_ colonists from buying foreign goods over British ones. These were called the \_\_\_\_\_. They put high taxes on things like \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_.
7. Ships from the colonies had to send all of their goods on \_\_\_\_\_ ships. All trading ships had to pass through \_\_\_\_\_ before they went to another country in Europe to trade; this law was made so that Britain could maintain control of colonial trade, though it did not stop some colonists from \_\_\_\_\_ goods.
8. The colonists viewed these taxes and regulations as acceptable because they valued the \_\_\_\_\_ they received from the British navy. They also appreciated that they were left alone to handle \_\_\_\_\_ affairs; it made them have a sense of self-rule. This hands-off governing is also known as \_\_\_\_\_.