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Independence Day

Directions: Read each question. Then circle the letter next to the correct answer.

1. What happened because of the “shot heard ‘round the world”?
 - a. Paul Revere began his historic ride.
 - b. The revolutionaries threw English tea into Boston Harbor.
 - c. The American Revolution began.
 - d. The Battle of Bunker Hill began.

2. Who wrote the Declaration of Independence?
 - a. John Adams
 - b. George Washington
 - c. John Hancock
 - d. Thomas Jefferson

3. What group signed the Declaration of Independence?
 - a. the Continental Congress
 - b. the Senate
 - c. the Constitutional Congress
 - d. the Congress of Confederation

4. When was the first American flag created?
 - a. In 1776, when the Declaration of Independence was signed
 - b. In 1777, when Congress described what it should look like
 - c. In 1782, when Congress adopted the Great Seal and mandated the flag
 - d. In 1787, when the Constitution was approved

5. Who was the ruler of England when the American colonies declared independence?
 - a. King George II
 - b. King George III
 - c. Queen Victoria
 - d. King Edward I

6. The United States of America became a nation when what event occurred?
 - a. Congress adopted the Articles of Confederation in 1777.
 - b. The Continental Congress signed the Declaration of Independence in 1776.
 - c. George Washington was sworn in as President in 1789.
 - d. The Constitution was approved in 1787.

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7. The American Revolution came to an end with what treaty?
 - a. the Treaty of Versailles
 - b. the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo
 - c. the Treaty of Valley Forge
 - d. the Treaty of Paris

8. The American Revolution began and ended in what years?
 - a. It began in 1775 and ended in 1783.
 - b. It began in 1776 and ended in 1782.
 - c. It began in 1775 and ended in 1787.
 - d. It began in 1776 and ended in 1789.

9. In which cities has Congress met?
 - a. Philadelphia, Boston, and Washington, D.C.
 - b. Philadelphia, Boston, and New York City
 - c. Philadelphia, New York City, and Washington, D.C.
 - d. Boston, New York City, and Washington, D.C.

10. When did George Washington become the first President?
 - a. 1776
 - b. 1777
 - c. 1784
 - d. 1789