

## The Chronology Game

**Objective:** To test student's knowledge of the order of events during the American Revolution and to introduce the idea that other events have occurred, but have been left out of the history book story of the Revolution.

**Materials:** 10 paper cards.

**Method:** Print the events listed below (do not include date) onto the paper cards. Ask students to try to put the cards in chronological order. This may be an individual or group assignment.

### Answer Key to the Chronology Game

1. Lord Jeffery Amherst ordered that blankets exposed to smallpox be distributed among Delaware Indians. (May 1763)
2. African Americans parade in the streets of Charleston shouting "Liberty;" fearing revolt, the town is under arms for a week. (1765)  
*(For more information on this subject check out: Frey, Sylvia, Water From the Rock : Black Resistance in a Revolutionary Age Princeton, N.J. : Princeton University Press, c1991 (1935))*
3. Boston Tea Party (Dec 1773)
4. Edenton Tea Party (Oct 1774) (North Carolina)
5. Paul Revere rides out of Boston to alert citizens of British troop movements. (April 1775)
6. Thomas Paine publishes Common Sense. (Jan 1776)
7. Continental Army survives harrowing winter at Valley Forge. (1778)
8. Spain enters the war. (1779)
9. The Federalist Papers are published. (1787-1788)
10. The Constitution is ratified. (1797-90)