

Building Vocabulary

ally	guerrilla	privateer
bayonet	John Paul Jones	rendezvous
Lord Cornwallis	Marquis de Lafayette	republicanism
desert	mercenary	strategy
James Forten	pacifist	George Washington

A. Completion

Select the term or name that best completes the sentence.

The British general (1) _____ surrendered 8,000 troops that were trapped near Yorktown. (2) _____ became a hero in both the United States and in France, the country where he was born. The commander of the Continental Army, (3) _____, never had more than 17,000 troops under him. As commander of the *Bonhomme Richard*, (4) _____ won the most famous sea battle of the Revolutionary War. Among the many African Americans who fought for independence was (5) _____.

B. Matching

Match the definition in the second column with the word in the first column.

Write the appropriate letter next to the word.

_____ 1. ally	a. a ship permitted to attack enemy ships
_____ 2. mercenary	b. a person opposed to war
_____ 3. bayonet	c. an overall plan of action
_____ 4. privateer	d. the idea that the people should rule
_____ 5. rendezvous	e. a fighter who uses hit-and-run attacks
_____ 6. desert	f. a country that aids another country
_____ 7. pacifist	g. a soldier fighting for another country
_____ 8. republicanism	h. a knife attached to a gun
_____ 9. strategy	i. to leave military duty without planning to return
_____ 10. guerrilla	j. a meeting

C. Writing

Use each of the following terms correctly in analyzing France's role in the Revolutionary War. Imagine you are an aide to General George Washington, and you are writing a report for him. Underline each word you use.

ally	Battles of Saratoga	Treaty of Paris of 1783
Marquis de Lafayette	Battle of Yorktown	