

Zinn Guided Reading Questions

Directions: Make a copy and share in your groups. Divide the questions amongst you and your group members. Complete the guiding questions for each group to the best of your ability. Create your own claim and use textual evidence to back your claim up.

Zinn specifically mentions the following groups of people and how the Revolution impacted their social status.

Colonial Elites	Poorer Whites
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Who did they consider “the enemy?”2. What were they fighting for?3. How did the social status of the Colonial Elites change after the American Revolution? <p><i>“It seems that the rebellion against British rule allowed a certain group of the colonial elite to replace those loyal to England”</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">4. Do you agree or disagree with this statement? Explain why.	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Who did they consider “the enemy?”2. According to Zinn, why did the poor whites get involved in the Revolution?3. How did the social status of the poorer whites change after the American Revolution?

Native Americans	Enslaved African Americans
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="94 151 1012 180">1. Who did they consider “the enemy?”<li data-bbox="94 212 1012 274">2. According to Zinn, why did the Native Americans get involved in the Revolution?<li data-bbox="94 339 1012 401">3. How did the social status of the Native Americans change after the American Revolution?	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="1041 151 1959 180">1. Who did they consider “the enemy?”<li data-bbox="1041 245 1959 306">2. According to Zinn, why did the African Americans get involved in the Revolution?<li data-bbox="1041 339 1959 401">3. How did the social status of the African American Slaves change after the American Revolution?