United States History

Unit II Study Guide: Nation Building

Directions: Use information from the notes, textbook, and other classwork to prepare for the Unit II Test on the processes of Nation Building. Focus on the list of topics below.

Bacon’s Rebellion
- What caused it? Why was it important?

French and Indian War
- What caused it? Why was it important?

Causes of the American Revolution
- Proclamation of 1763
- Be able to explain what “No Taxation without Representation” means
- Stamp Act
- Sugar Act
- Quartering Act
- Townshend Act
- Intolerable Act
- Boston Massacre

The Revolutionary War (Be able to explain the following)
- Concord/Lexington
- Yorktown
- What were battles like

Declaration of Independence
- What was it? Why was it important? When was it signed? Who wrote it?

Important People (Why were they important)
- George Washington
- Benjamin Franklin
- Paul Revere
- John Hancock
- Thomas Jefferson
- James Madison

Articles of Confederation
- What were they?
- What were their weaknesses?
- What was Shay’s Rebellion?

Constitutional Convention (Arguments for and against a new constitution)
- Federalists
- Anti-Federalists