

THE REVOLUTIONARY

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AMERICA TELLS THE WHOLE
WORLD THEY ARE
INDEPENDENT FROM GREAT
BRITAIN

Colonies Declare Independence and Make Rules for the New Government

The American colonies are fighting in the American Revolution. And now they need to make their own government.

THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE

The Declaration of Independence was written in 1776, and adopted on July 4. This important document was written by a group of men, but Thomas Jefferson was the main author. The Declaration of Independence told the world that the colonies were now forming their own government, apart from the King and Great Britain. Most colonists were thrilled with this step towards independence, but they knew that they now needed to create their government, and win the war with Great Britain before they would be able to celebrate.

THE ARTICLES OF CONFEDERATION

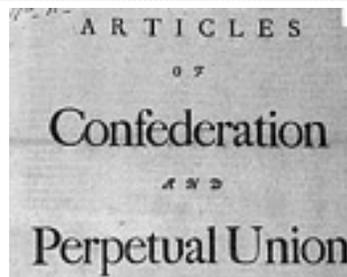
The Articles of Confederation were the rules of the new central government of America. This document was written in 1776 in Philadelphia, PA. These rules went into effect after the colonists won the war in 1781. The document said that the central government should have a Congress to make laws. The central government could also wage war and make peace. And third it said that the government could make money and borrow money.

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Writing the Declaration of Independence



Articles of Confederation



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A New Country
with New Symbols
is created

