**You Say You Want a Revolution!**

Where does revolution come from? Why the heck did the colonists ever think they had the right to revolt against Britain? And how on earth did they think they could beat the best military in the world?

Clearly, the British government made many decisions that angered the colonists (Stamp Act, Sugar Act, Boston Massacre, etc.). But what happened to make the colonists think they deserved freedom in the first place? Let’s think about the ideas and concepts that influenced colonial thinking. These include:

* The Magna Carta#1
* The English Bill of Rights#2
* The House of Burgesses#3
* The Albany Plan of Union#4
* The Maryland Act of Religious Toleration#5
* The Zenger Trial#6
* The Great Awakening#7
* The Enlightenment#8

Step One: You and your partner will read and research information on your topic using the Chapter 4.3 excerpt and google.

Step Two: create a propaganda campaign to educate the colonists about WHY they should join the Patriot (rebel) movement in 1776. Advertise the ideas that most influenced the colonists and led to revolution. Illustrate how these ideas were key ingredients in the American Revolution.

You can create:

* A bumper sticker for John Hancock to put on his ship, *The Liberty*
* A poster with a slogan and explanation of your point of view
* A newspaper ad
* ??? Other ideas?

You have the FREEDOM to create what you like here, but be sure it includes:

1. The name of your topic
2. A propaganda-ish slogan (think attention-getting, emotional)
3. A brief summary of your topic
4. An explanation of how your topic influenced the colonists to rebel and create their own government
5. A creative image – remember that propaganda should provoke emotion

This assignment is worth 20 points. You will be graded on creativity, effort, and explanation of your ideas.