Revolutionary War Vocabulary

Did you hear about what happened at the laundromat last night? Three clothespins held up two shirts! 

A study sheet to learn about the Revolutionary War.

1. Sons of Liberty  
   Secret group of colonists founded to protest Stamp Act

2. Militias  
   Civilian soldiers who are trained to fight but not part of the regular army

3. Patriots  
   Colonists who fought against British rule

4. Parliament  
   The government of Great Britain, includes the king, the House of Commons, the House of Lords and the prime minister

5. Loyalists  
   Colonists who remained loyal to the King during the American Revolution

6. Redcoats  
   Nickname for British soldiers because of their red uniform coats

7. Continental Congress  
   The legislative assembly composed of delegates from the rebel colonies who met during and after the American Revolution

8. Minutemen  
   Colonists who could be ready in a minute to fight the British

   Boston citizens disguised as Indians raided three British ships and dumped chests of tea into the harbor as a protest against taxes on tea

10. Stamp Act  
    Tax that the British government placed on newspapers, books and documents sold in the colonies

11. Boston Massacre  
    The killing of five men by British soldiers on March 5, 1770

12. Paul Revere  
    Rode on horseback from Boston to Lexington and Concord to warn that the Redcoats were coming

13. Treaty of Paris  
    Provisional peace treaty signed after Lord Cornwallis surrendered at Yorktown