

# **Lección 2:**

# **La Historia Americana**

## **A: Los Colonos y La Independencia**

**Preguntas: 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 69**

# Los Exploradores





# The World POLITICAL

# Cristóbal Colón llegó a América



*¿Quiénes vivían en los  
Estados Unidos antes de la  
llegada de los europeos?*

**Pregunta #59**

## Pregunta #59

- ★ *Indios americanos*
- ★ *Nativos americanos*

American Indian woman  
and her baby in 1899.

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# Los Colonos (Colonistas) vinieron a América a vivir



# Vinieron de Gran Bretaña - Inglaterra



*¿Cuál es una razón por la que los colonos vinieron a los Estados Unidos?*

**Pregunta #58**

# Los colonos vinieron para obtener:

Pregunta #58

- ★ *libertad*
- ★ *libertad política*
- ★ *libertad religiosa*
- ★ *oportunidad económica*
- ★ *para practicar su religión*
- ★ *para huir de la persecución*

**“Mayflower Approaching Land,”** an engraving of the ship that carried the Pilgrims to Plymouth, MA in 1620.  
Courtesy of the Library of Congress, LC-USZ62-3046.



*¿Qué pueblo fue traído a los Estados Unidos y vendido como esclavos?*

**Pregunta #60**

# Los esclavos trabajaban sin pago.

Pregunta #60



★ *Africanos*

★ *gente de África*

Esclavos en una plantación del sur en Mayo del 1862.

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# El día de Acción de Gracias es un día Feriado Americano



*Había 13 estados  
originales. Nombre tres.*

## Pregunta #64



- ★ *Nueva Hampshire*
- ★ *Massachusetts*
- ★ *Rhode Island*
- ★ *Connecticut*
- ★ *Nueva York*
- ★ *Nueva Jersey*
- ★ *Pennsylvania*
- ★ *Delaware*
- ★ *Maryland*
- ★ *Virginia*
- ★ *Carolina del Norte*
- ★ *Carolina del Sur*
- ★ *Georgia*

# **Independencia Americana**

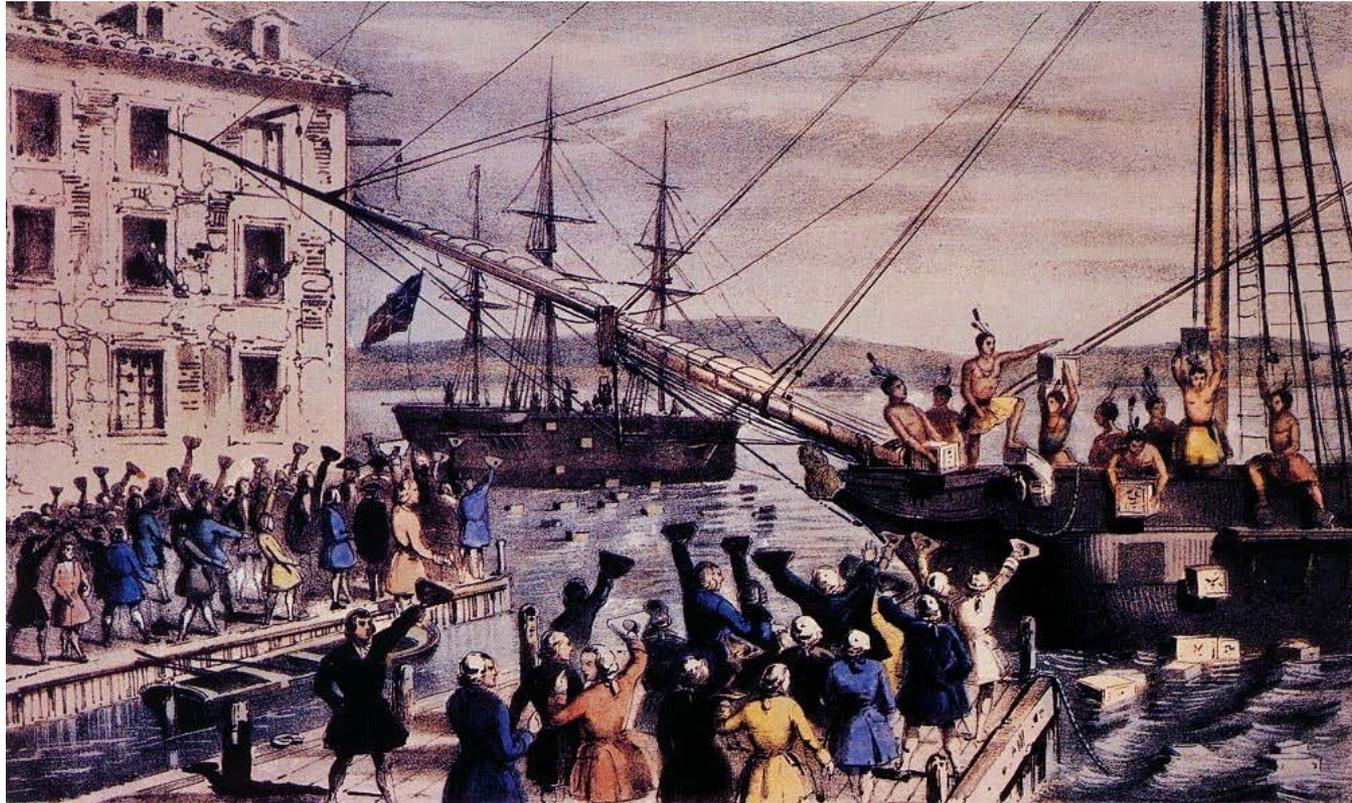
# La Gran Bretaña



# El Rey de la Gran Bretaña



# El rey puso impuestos muy altos



# La Guerra Revolucionaria, 1775



# El ejército de Gran Bretaña



# El ejército Americano

*¿Por qué lucharon los  
colonos contra los  
británicos?*

**Pregunta #61**

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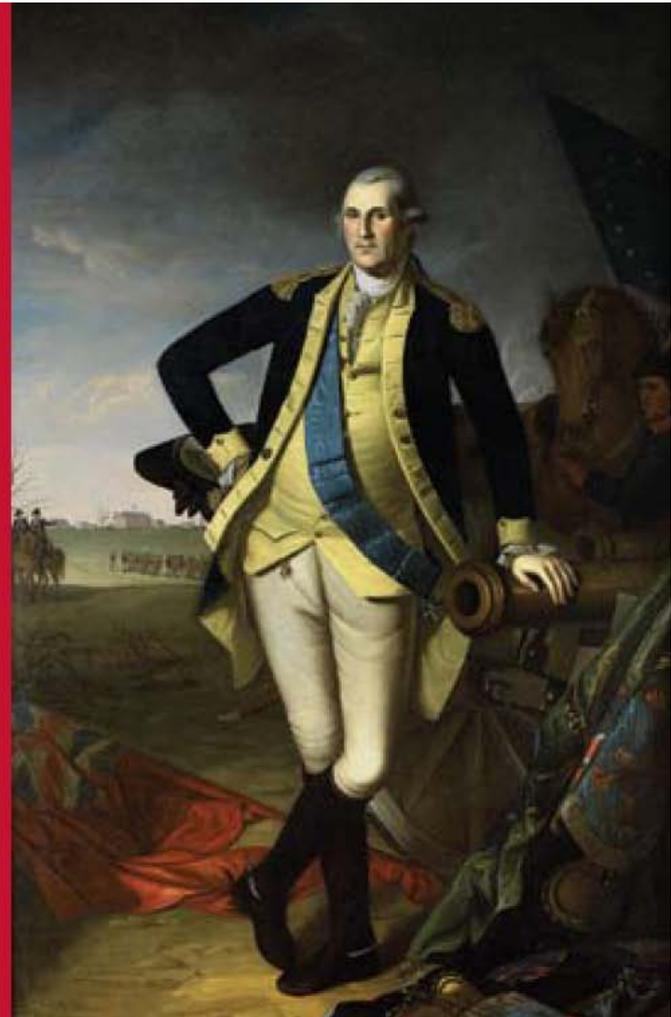
- ★ *debido a los impuestos altos (impuestos sin representación)*
- ★ *el ejército británico se quedó en sus casas (alojamiento, acuartelamiento)*
- ★ *no tenían autodeterminación*

*¿Quién se conoce  
como el “Padre de  
Nuestra Nación”?*

**Pregunta #69**

★ *(George) Washington*

**“George Washington at Princeton,”  
by Charles Willson Peale.  
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*¿Quién fue el primer  
Presidente?\**

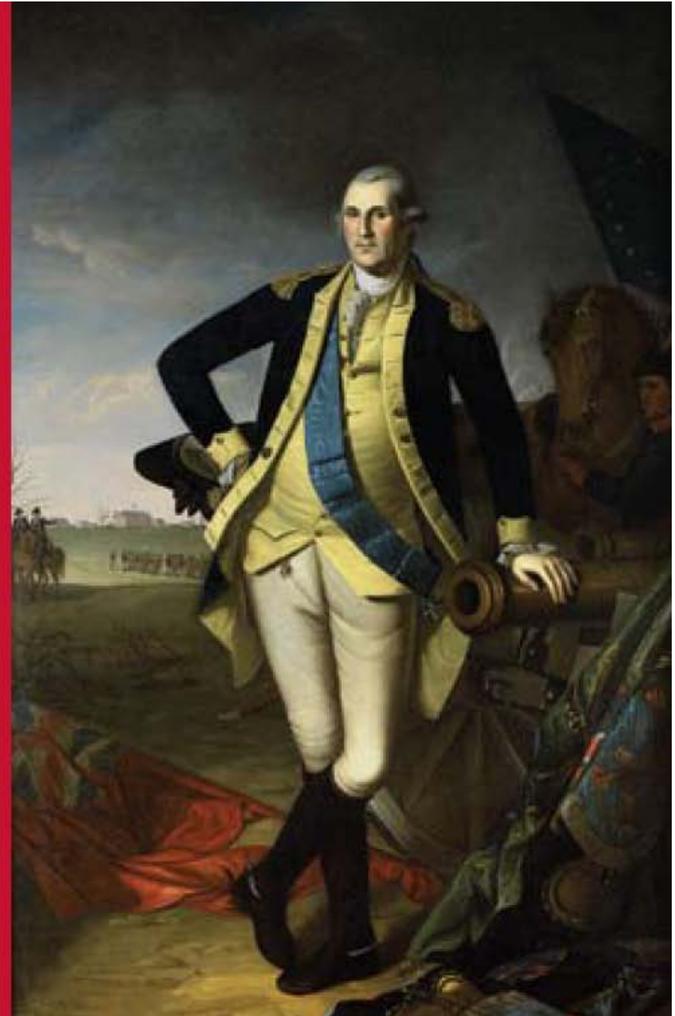
**Pregunta #70**

# El líder del ejército

Pregunta #70

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# Los Americanos ganaron la guerra



# La Declaración de la Independencia dice que los EE.UU. era libre

IN CONGRESS, JULY 4, 1776.  
A DECLARATION  
BY THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
IN GENERAL CONGRESS ASSEMBLED.

**W**HEN in the Course of human Events, it becomes necessary for one People to dissolve the Political Bands which have connected them with another, and to assume among the Powers of the Earth, the separate and equal Station to which the Laws of Nature and of Nature's God entitle them, a decent Respect to the Opinions of Mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the Separation.

We hold these Truths to be self-evident, that all Men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness—That to secure these Rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just Powers from the Consent of the Governed, that whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these Ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new Government, laying its Foundation on such Principles, and organizing its Powers in such Form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their Safety and Happiness. Prudence, indeed, will dictate that Governments long established should not be changed for light and transient Causes; and accordingly all Experience hath shewn, that Mankind are more disposed to suffer, while Evils are sufferable, than to right themselves by abolishing the Forms to which they are accustomed. But when a long Train of Abuses and Usurpations, pursuing invariably the same Object, evinces a Design to reduce them under absolute Despotism, it is their Right, it is their Duty, to throw off such Government, and to provide new Guards for their future Security. Such has been the patient Sufferance of these Colonies; and such is now the Necessity which constrains them to alter their former Systems of Government. The History of the present King of Great-Britain is a History of repeated Injuries and Usurpations, all having in direct Object the Establishment of an absolute Tyranny over these States. To prove this, let Facts be submitted to a candid World.

He has refused his Assent to Laws, the most wholesome and necessary for the public Good.

He has forbidden his Governors to pass Laws of immediate and pressing Importance, unless suspended in their Operation till his Assent should be obtained; and when so suspended, he has utterly neglected to attend to them.

He has refused to pass other Laws for the Accommodation of large Districts of People, unless those People would relinquish the Right of Representation in the Legislature, a right inestimable to them, and formidable to Tyrants only.

He has called together his legislative Bodies at Places unusual, uncomfortable, and distant from the Depository of their public Records, for the sole Purpose of fatiguing them into Compliance with his Measures.

He has dissolved Representative Houses repeatedly, for opposing with manly Firmness his Invasions on the Rights of the People.

He has refused for a long Time, after such Dissolutions, to cause others to be elected; whereby the Legislative Powers, incapable of Annihilation, have returned to the People at large for their exercise; the State remaining in the mean time exposed to all the Dangers of Invasion from without, and Convulsions within.

He has endeavoured to prevent the Population of these States; for that Purpose obstructing the Laws for Naturalization of Foreigners; refusing to pass others to encourage their Migrations hither, and raising the Conditions of new Appropriations of Lands.

He has obstructed the Administration of Justice, by refusing his Assent to Laws for establishing Judiciary Powers.

He has made Judges dependent on his Will alone, for the Tenure of their Offices, and the Amount and Payment of their Salaries.

He has erected a Multitude of new Offices, and sent hither Swarms of Officers to harass our People, and eat out their Substance.

He has kept among us, in Times of Peace, Standing Armies, without the Consent of our Legislatures.

He has affected to render the Military independent of and superior to the Civil Power.

He has combined with others to subject us to a Jurisdiction foreign to our Constitution, and unacknowledged by our Laws; giving his Assent to their Acts of pretended Legislation:

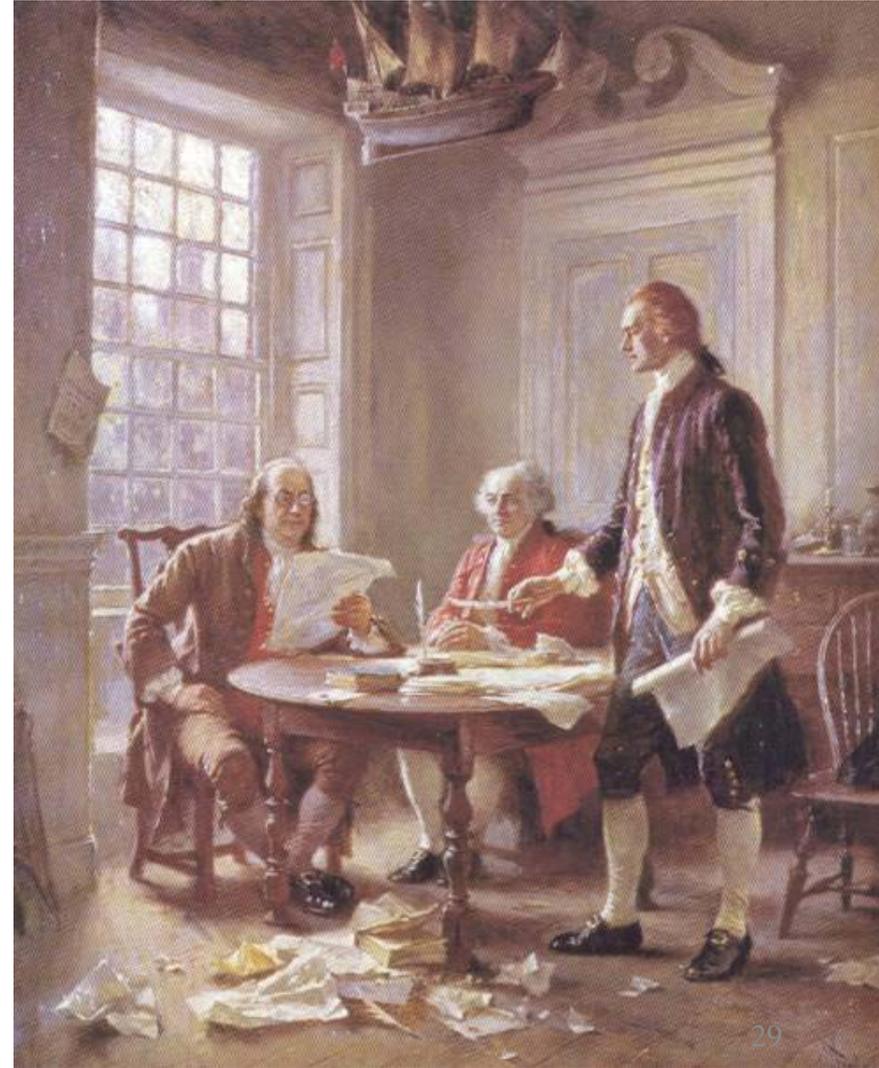
- For quartering large Bodies of Armed Troops among us;
- For protecting them, by a mock Trial, from Punishment for any Murders which they should commit on the Inhabitants of these States;
- For cutting off our Trade with all Parts of the World;
- For imposing Taxes on us without our Consent;
- For depriving us, in many Cases, of the Benefits of Trial by Jury;
- For transporting us beyond Seas to be tried for pretended Offences;
- For abolishing the free System of English Laws in a neighbouring Province, establishing therein an arbitrary Government, and enlarging its Boundaries, so as to render it at once an Example and fit Instrument for introducing the same absolute Rule into these Colonies;
- For taking away our Charters, abolishing our most valuable Laws, and altering fundamentally the Forms of our Governments;
- For suspending our own Legislatures, and declaring themselves invested with Power to legislate for us in all Cases whatsoever.

He has abdicated our own Government here, by declaring us out of his Protection and waging War against us.

He has plundered our Seas, ravaged our Coasts, burnt our Towns, and destroyed the Lives of our People.

He has transported large Armies of foreign Mercenaries to complete the Works of Death, Desolation, and Tyranny, already begun with circumstances of Cruelty and Perfidy, scarcely paralleled in the most barbarous Age, and totally unworthy the Head of a civilized Nation.

He has constrained our fellow Citizens taken Captive on the high Seas to bear Arms against their Country, to become the Executioners of their Friends and



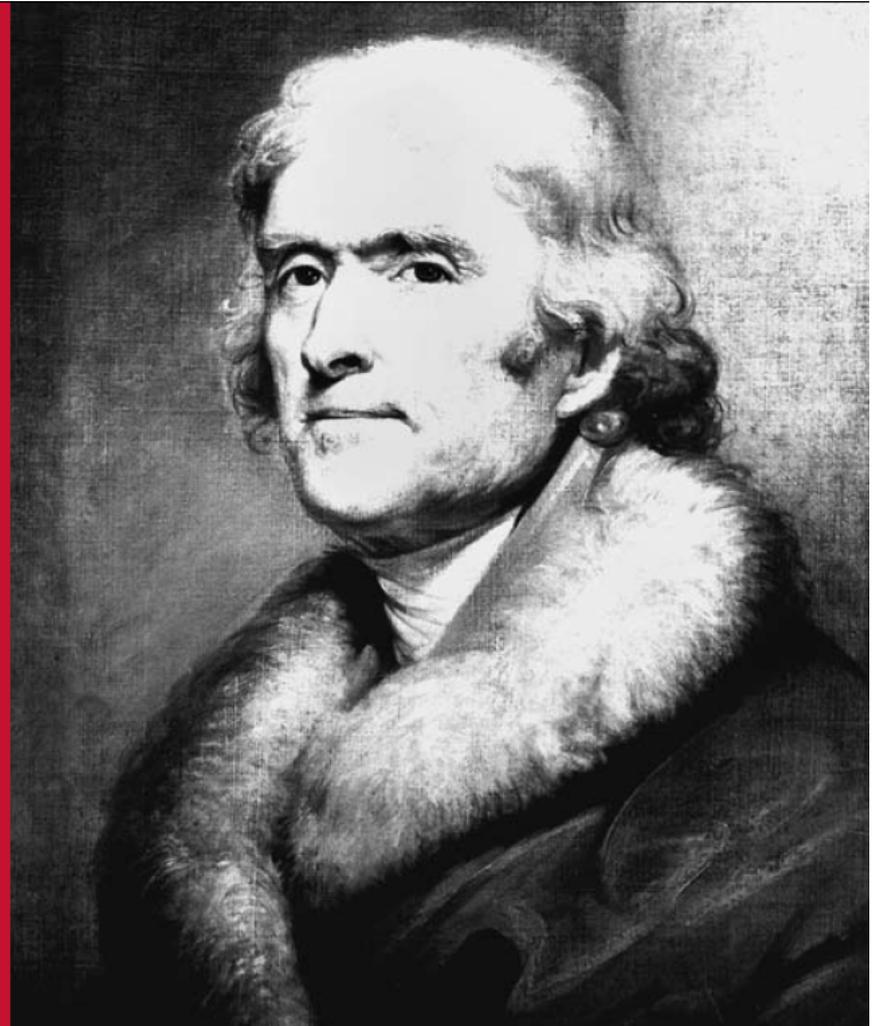
*¿Quién escribió la  
Declaración de  
Independencia?*

**Pregunta #62**

★ *(Thomas) Jefferson*

**Thomas Jefferson. Copy of  
painting by Rembrandt Peale.**

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*¿Cuándo fue adoptada  
la Declaración de  
Independencia?*

**Pregunta #63**

## Pregunta #63



★ *el 4 de julio de 1776*

In “Declaration of Independence,” a painting by John Trumbull, Thomas Jefferson and his committee present the formal statement of independence from Great Britain.

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