

***New England Heritage Tour East  
Research Questions Meeting # 2***

**Note:** *Research Questions are the responsibility of each student. Students will select their topic of interest with help from their Group Leader. Students need to prepare an oral presentation to share their research with members of their group. Each student should also prepare a “visual” that might include maps, charts, pictures, models, foods or other audio visual displays. This process is designed to help each student prepare for what they will see and experience on tour.*

***Events Leading to the Revolution***

1. *What countries fought in the French and Indian War? Why was it fought? Who won?*
2. *Why did England ask American Settlers to pay taxes after the war? Why did this make American Settlers so angry?*
3. *What was the Stamp Act? What were the Townsend Duties? Would you have paid these taxes?*
4. *What was the Boston Massacre? How did it get its name? Would you have voted to convict the British Soldiers (why or why not)?*
5. *What caused the “Boston Tea Party”? Would you have thrown tea into the harbor? Who were the American Leaders of the Tea Party?*
6. *How did England punish Boston and the Colonies after the Tea Party? Was the King justified in his punishment of the colonists?*
7. *Why did the King want to capture Samuel Adams, Paul Revere and the other Minutemen? What did the King fear?*
8. *Who were the Tories? Would you have been a Tory or Patriot – Why?*
9. *Why did the British march to Concord and Lexington in April 1775? What did they hope to find?*
10. *Why did Paul Revere make his famous ride? Was anybody else also making the ride? When did the ride happen and what was accomplished? How did Revere know what to tell the Minutemen and Colonists.*
11. *What happened at the Old North Bridge on April 19, 1775? How did it affect the American Patriots?*
12. *What happened on Bunker Hill? What happened on Breed’s Hill? Why did the British attack? Was the attack successful for the British? How was it viewed in England?*