

North Carolina: People, Places, & Progress

Chapter 6: A Revolutionary Generation

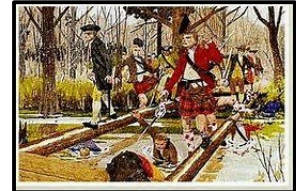
Internet Activity



In this lesson, you will use primary and secondary sources to learn about the Battle of Moore's Creek Bridge, an important battle in North Carolina that was part of the Revolutionary War.

Instructions: Use the links to complete each item.

Part I. Read [this article from NCPedia](#) to learn more about the Battle of Moore's Creek Bridge. Answer the questions below.



- 1) What was the primary goal of General McDonald, Captain McLeod, and the loyalist militia? _____

- 2) How did the encampment at Rockfish Creek help the Patriots cause?
 - a. Prevented the Loyalists from recruiting more soldiers
 - b. Helped the Patriots conquer North Carolina
 - c. Forced the Loyalists to take a different route to the coast
 - d. Changed the main type of weapons used to defeat the British

- 3) Who was the main commander of the Patriot forces? _____

- 4) What was the result of the battle and why was it important to the Revolutionary War in North Carolina? _____

- 5) Is this a primary or a secondary source? _____ How can you tell? _____

Part II. Read [this account of the Battle of Moore's Creek Bridge](#). Then, answer the questions below.

- 6) Who were the commanders of the Loyalist forces? _____

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7) How did the Patriots make it harder for the Tories to cross the bridge?

- a. By putting grease on the railing
- b. By pulling up the wood on the bridge surface
- c. By cutting the bridge in half
- d. By blocking the bridge with heavy logs

8) According to the account, how many Tories died in the battle?

- a. 2
- b. 14
- c. 28
- d. 30

9) What is meant by the last phrase in the passage, *“This, we think, will effectually put a stop to Toryism in North Carolina.”*?

10) Is this a primary or a secondary source? _____ How can you tell? _____

Finished Early? Explore [this interactive timeline](#) to learn more about the course of the Revolutionary War in the United States.