

# **REVOLUTIONARY MEN: COMPARING AND CONTRASTING CHARACTER TRAITS**

**Thomas Jefferson,  
George Washington,  
and Ben Franklin**

## **TASK:**

- 1) Write an essay comparing and contrasting character traits of two revolutionary men.**
- 2) Compare one of your character traits to a trait of at least one of the men that you have chosen to write about.**

## **DIRECTIONS:**

- 1) Annotate the directions.**
- 2) Read and annotate** two of the magazines about revolutionary men.
- 3) As you are reading and annotating**, think about the following questions:
  - Which two revolutionary men do you wish to analyze and write about?
  - What are traits that characterize these two revolutionary men?
  - What are some similar character traits that you and these men both possess?
- 4) Decide on ONE or TWO** traits that characterize one revolutionary man (Thomas Jefferson, George Washington, or Ben Franklin).

- 5) Highlight four or five pieces of EVIDENCE (quotes and/or facts) that PROVES and supports the traits that you infer that represent this man.
- 6) Decide on ONE or TWO traits that characterize another revolutionary man (Thomas Jefferson, George Washington, or Ben Franklin).
- 7) Highlight four or five pieces of EVIDENCE (quotes and/or facts) that PROVES and supports the traits that you infer that represent this man.
- 8) Write an essay **comparing and contrasting the character traits of two revolutionary men.**
- 9) Use evidence from the text to prove your inferences comparing and contrasting the character traits of these two revolutionary men.
- 10) **Also, in one of your paragraphs, describe how you have a similar character trait of one of the revolutionary men.**
- 11) Be sure to have an introduction, at least three body paragraphs, and a conclusion.