

Spies of the American Revolution
Alignment with 5th Grade Educational Standards

This game tells the broader history of the Revolutionary War through the lens of spying in New York City. Students play as Deborah, a tailoress in revolutionary era New York City. With the British occupying New York from 1776 until 1783, patriot spies were essential to the American cause. As a tailoress, Deborah designs disguises and gains access to well-informed clients, making her the ideal patriot spy. She meets a motley assortment of patriot troops, witnessing their transformation into a professional army. She becomes well-acquainted with British, Loyalist, and Patriot perspectives on the war. Finally, she sees the evolution of spycraft and learns about the centrality of information to the war effort.

Topics Covered

- The American Revolution (1775-1783)
 - Causes of the Conflict
 - Patriot, British, and Loyalist Perspectives
- The Revolutionary War
 - The Patriot Army and its Challenges
 - Key Battles and Events
 - Battle of Lexington and Concord (1775)
 - Battle of Bunker Hill (1775)
 - Declaration of Independence (1776)
 - New York and New Jersey Campaigns (1776-7)
 - Battle of Saratoga (1777)
 - French Alliance with Americans
 - Philadelphia Campaign (1777-8)
 - Defection of Benedict Arnold (1780)
 - Battle of Yorktown (1781)
 - Centrality of Information to the War Effort
- Spycraft
 - Evolution of Spying During the War
 - Methods and Technology
 - Contributions of Diverse People



National Curriculum Standards for Social Studies (Early Grades)

Standard #	Standard Name
1	Culture
2	Time, Continuity, and Change
3	People, Places, and Environments
5	Individuals, Groups, and Institutions
6	Power, Authority, and Governance
10	Civic Practices and Ideals

California History-Social Science Framework

Settling the Colonies

- Daily Life and Work in the Colonies
- Commerce in the Colonies

The Road to War

- Reasons the Colonists Rebelled against Great Britain
- The Patriots and their Grievances

The American Revolution

- The Start of the Revolution
- Who Fought in Battles, and how that Impacted their Outcome
- The Importance of Women, Natives, and Free Blacks in the War

Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Social Studies

Standard #	Standard Name	Subject
2	Conflict between the Colonies and Great Britain led to the American Revolution	History
9	Adaptation and Modification of the Environment	Geography
11	Free Enterprise System	Economics
17	Symbols, Customs, Celebrations, and Landmarks that Represent American Beliefs and Principles	Citizenship
22	Contributions of People of Various Racial, Ethnic, and Religious Groups	Culture
23	Impact of Science and Technology on U.S. Society	Science, Technology, and Society
24	Critical-Thinking and Information Analysis	Social Studies Skills
26	Problem-Solving and Decision-Making	