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# Revolutionary Pursuit

Before Peter makes his declaration of war, he begins to think about what Steve had said about the Revolutionary days. The American Revolution began in 1775 between the 13 American colonies and England. The colonists wanted independence, or freedom, from England. The king was like a father to the people who fought in the American Revolution, and Peter compares his own situation to this war.

For this activity, you will write a research report. With a group of two or three people, research one of the following words and phrases relating to the American Revolution.

- Battles of Lexington and Concord
- Valley Forge
- Minutemen
- Paul Revere
- Thomas Paine
- Continental Congress
- Boston Tea Party
- George Washington
- Thomas Gage
- Stamp Act
- Declaration of Independence
- Battle of Bunker Hill
- The Treaty of Paris
- The Proclamation of 1763

Write the topic you chose here: \_\_\_\_\_

Use several sources, including the Internet, computer software programs, and book reference, to complete your research on the topic you chose. (**Note:** Be sure you have permission to use the Internet or computer software before using them.)

For information found on a computer source, answer the following questions:

- What Internet addresses did you locate? List two addresses. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- What features are available on the Internet site(s) you found? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- What computer software did you use? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- Does the software you used provide an interactive program? \_\_\_\_\_

Using your book or computer sources, select the most important information you will use to report on your topic. Use the space below and the back of this paper to plan your research report.

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Prepare a report booklet using the forms on page 19. The form at the top will be your report cover. Reproduce as many copies of the bottom as you need to write your report. Assemble the report pages to complete your report booklet.

# Characterization

Peter and Grandpa display different characteristics throughout the story. For example, Peter knows that Grandpa is lonely because he holds a photograph of Grandma in his hands and does not even hear Peter say good night. Sometimes we can tell things about people from the way they act or the things they say and do. With a partner, complete the character diagrams about Peter and Grandpa. List some characteristics and examples in the diagram below. Be ready to share your diagram with the rest of the class.

