

**The Declaration of Independence** pages 264-265

1. A declaration is a \_\_\_\_\_ that declares, or \_\_\_\_\_ an idea.
2. Who is considered the "Father of the Declaration of Independence"? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Congress needed The Declaration of Independence because \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_ are freedoms that are protected by a government's laws.
5. Americans believed that all people are born with  
\_\_\_\_\_.
6. People have the right to \_\_\_\_\_, to be \_\_\_\_\_, and the right to  
\_\_\_\_\_.
7. What should protect the rights of the people? \_\_\_\_\_
8. What should people be able to do, if their rights are not protected?  
\_\_\_\_\_
9. Many ideas that were used in the Declaration of Independence came from \_\_\_\_\_.
10. This thinker believed that \_\_\_\_\_ should serve the people.
11. Jefferson showed that the colonists had many reasons to \_\_\_\_\_ from the King of England.
12. They had the right to \_\_\_\_\_ their own government.
13. Name three things that King George III had done to take away colonists' rights.  
A. \_\_\_\_\_  
B. \_\_\_\_\_  
C. \_\_\_\_\_
14. How long did it take Jefferson to write the Declaration of Independence? \_\_\_\_\_
15. Who was hired to print the official copy of the Declaration of Independence? \_\_\_\_\_

**The Declaration of Independence has \_\_\_\_\_ parts.**

- Part 1 says: \_\_\_\_\_
- Part 2 says: \_\_\_\_\_
- Part 3 says: \_\_\_\_\_
- Part 4 says: \_\_\_\_\_
- Part 5 was: \_\_\_\_\_

IN CONGRESS, JULY 4, 1776.  
A DECLARATION  
BY THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.