

US HISTORY

Name

Topic 3 – The American Revolution

Points Possible: 25 pts

***The Patriot* Movie Review Questions**

***Directions:** As you watch the movie *The Patriot*, answer the following questions in complete sentences with details from the movie.

1. What were some of the major differences between the militia and the regular army, and how was this shown throughout the film?

2. How do the Rebel army commanders view the militia's performance in conventional battle formations? What alternative uses does Benjamin Martin suggest for them? How do the British view these tactics?

3. Why is there ill will between Benjamin Martin and Major Villeneuve? Why does Benjamin Martin not "trust the French"?

4. Why do you think the filmmakers made Benjamin Martin a composite figure of many Revolutionary War heroes? What kinds of latitude did this give them?

5. How does the portrayal of the British officers demonstrate the British class system of the time period? Contrast this with the American structure of forces and their social system.

6. Keeping in mind that an important historical institution collaborated in the making of this film, comment on one scene that gave you new insight into colonial life or the Revolutionary War.