

# American Revolution Viewpoints

## Patriots



Those who wanted  
**independence** from  
Great Britain.

(also known as Whigs)

## Loyalists



Those who wanted to  
**stay with Great  
Britain** .

(also known as King's Men,  
Tories, and Royalists)

## Other Colonists

Those who made a  
choice **not to choose**  
a side.

# Group Instructions

**You have been assigned to join one of these three groups and learn about their views during the American Revolution.**

1. Read over your assigned viewpoint (Patriot, Loyalists, or Other Colonists)
2. Write 1-2 sentences on your response sheet to summarize the views.
3. Prepare to argue your views with the other two members in your group.  
Present your arguments in this order:
  - a. Patriots
  - b. Loyalists
  - c. Other Colonists
4. After each argument, write 1-2 sentences on your response sheet to summarize what was shared for that viewpoint.

## **Who Am I?**

**I was born a British man and I will always be British. Life in the colonies under British rule has been stable and peaceful. The good trading relationship has allowed my business to do very well. I will never betray my country!**

## **Who Am I?**

**There is so much tension in the colonies right now!  
Everyone wants me to pick a side but I just don't know.  
While I hate the unfair British taxes, it seems risky to  
revolt. What if we lose? I really wish there was a  
non-violent solution.**

## **Who Am I?**

**Give me liberty or give me death! I am tired of not having a voice in Parliament while the British government passes unfair laws and taxes. We were born with unalienable rights and if a government is trying to take these rights away, we must abolish it!**