AP US History – Questions

Beginnings to Constitution

- 1. Even though the Albany Plan of Union was not successful, why was it an important precedent?
- 2. For what three reasons did Native Americans side with France during the French and Indian War?
- 3. In what three ways did the Seven Years' War directly affect the colonists' growing discontent toward the British?
- 4. How did the Sugar Act differ from the preceding Navigation Acts?
- 5. How did colonial protest evolve? What steps were initially ineffective and what later steps proved successful?
- 6. What poor choices made by the British eventually heightened the pre-Revolutionary era conflict?
- 7. In what ways did the colonies attempt to unite and/or share information?
- 8. Why could many colonists rightly claim that the conflict was primarily a Boston issue?
- 9. What were the three main results of the First Continental Congress?
- 10. What was the significance of the "shot heard 'round the world"?
- 11. John Adams once claimed that 1/3 of the colonists were for revolution, 1/3 were against, and 1/3 didn't really care. What types of people fell into each category?
- 12. What documents were most influential during the Revolutionary Era? What was the purpose of each?
- 13. What factors contributed to America being able to win the Revolutionary War?
- 14. What were the faults and the strengths of the Articles of Confederation?
- 15. What were the main events of the Critical Era?
- 16. What compromises needed to be made for the Constitution to be successful?
- 17. What were the positions of the Federalists and Anti-Federalists?