**Chapter Four Reading Questions**

*John Adams: Liberty and Knowledge*

1. Who was John Adams?
2. How are liberty and knowledge connected?
3. Where do people get their Natural Rights?
4. What is the most important part of a knowledgeable society?
5. Other than access to knowledge, what other kind of liberty is essential?
6. What does knowledge demolish?

*John Dickinson: The Liberty Song*

1. Who was John Dickinson?
2. What is the most famous line from the song?
3. According to the song, who approves of our revolution?

*Patrick Henry: Speech to the 2nd VA Convention*

1. Who was Patrick Henry?
2. What is this ‘Lamp” he refers to?
3. Why is he so angry?
4. Because they have rejected our pleas, what is our only choice?
5. Why do some say we should not fight against England?
6. What is the most famous phrase from the speech? Why is this important?

*Thomas Jefferson: A bill for establishing religious freedom in VA?*

1. Where was this resolution debated?
2. What is the point of the bill (4 main points)?

*Thomas Paine: Common Sense*

1. Who was Thomas Paine?
2. How many copies of his book were sold?
3. What does Paine say is the reason why we must leave Britain?
4. Why did Britain protect the colonies?
5. According to Paine, who is the real parent of America?
6. What was the reason why Europeans left for America?
7. What does the size of America have to do with the desire to be independent of England?
8. What is the “king” in America?
9. Why do we deserve our own government?
10. Read the last paragraph. What is America to Paine?

*Thomas Paine: American Crisis*

1. What did thus pamphlet protest?
2. According to Paine, who can “Bind us in all cases”?

*Thomas Paine: Liberty Tree*

1. Where did the liberty tree come from?
2. What is the Liberty Tree?