



## *Full length Narratives to the Trenton and Princeton Campaigns and the Events of the Ten Crucial Days*

1. **TEN CRUCIAL DAYS: Washington's Vision for Victory Unfolds** by Larry Kidder (Knox, 2019) The most authoritative modern narrative on the Ten Crucial Days.
2. **ROAD TO ASSUNPINK CREEK: Liberty's Desperate Hour and the Ten Crucial Days of the American Revolution** by David Price (Knox 2019). Says Patrick K. O'Donnell, "Assembling the best scholarship ... Price has rightfully elevated the crucial importance of one of the least remembered battles..."
3. **VICTORY OR DEATH: The Battles of Trenton and Princeton** by Mark Maloy (Savas Beatie, 2018) Good overview and great for a self-guided tour.
4. **WASHINGTON'S CROSSING** by David Hackett Fischer (Oxford, 2004) Despite having included some of Stryker's challenged references this is the bestselling book on the subject.
5. **THE DAY IS OURS! An Inside View of the Battles of Trenton and Princeton, November 1776-January 1777** by William M. Dwyer (Viking, 1983) ▼ Relies heavily on Stryker; written in a thrilling, journalistic style.
6. **THE WINTER SOLDIERS: The Battles for Trenton and Princeton** by Richard M. Ketchum. (Doubleday, 1973) ▼ Relies heavily on Stryker. Good military history for the modern reader.
7. **THE BATTLES OF TRENTON AND PRINCETON** by William S. Stryker (Houghton Mifflin, 1898) ▼ The earliest history from which many following works have been based. While detailed, there are unsourced references which are either questionable, or have since been proven inaccurate.

## *Overviews, Abridgments, and Essays on the Ten Crucial Days and the Revolution in New Jersey*

1. **THE BATTLE OF TRENTON/THE BATTLE OF PRINCETON: Two Studies** by Samuel Stelle Smith (Philip Freneau Pr. 1967) ▼
2. **NEW JERSEY IN THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION** edited by Barbara J. Mitnick (Rutgers, 2005)
3. **TRENTON AND PRINCETON 1776-77: Washington Crosses the Delaware** by David Bonk (Osprey 2010) ▼

4. ***A PEOPLE HARASSED AND EXHAUSTED: The Story of a New Jersey Militia Regiment in the American Revolution*** by Larry Kidder (Kidder, 2013)
5. ***THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION IN NEW JERSEY: Where the Battlefield Meets the Home Front*** edited by James J. Gigantino II (Rutgers, 2015)
6. ***RESCUING THE REVOLUTION: Unsung Heroes of the Ten Crucial Days of the American Revolution*** by David Price (Knox Press 2016) Short biographical vignettes on twelve lesser known participants of the Trenton and Princeton campaigns. Good storytelling.
7. ***FATAL SUNDAY: George Washington, the Monmouth Campaign, and the Politics of Battle*** by Mark Edward Lender and Garry Wheeler Stone Ph.D (Univ OK 2016) Award winning narrative on the largest battle fought in the northern theater of the revolution.
8. ***CROSSROADS OF THE REVOLUTION: Trenton, 1774-1783*** by William L. (Larry) Kidder (Knox Press, 2017) Meticulously researched history of Trenton; rich background on how this important colonial town survived the revolution.

### ***Recommended General Histories of the Revolution and the Actions in New Jersey***

1. ***THE LONG RETREAT: The Calamitous Defense of New Jersey, 1776*** by Arthur S. Lefkowitz (Rutgers, 1998)
2. ***1776*** by David McCullough (Simon & Schuster, 2006)
3. ***THE GLORIOUS CAUSE: The American Revolution, 1763-1789*** by Robert Middlekauff (Oxford 2007)
4. ***ALMOST A MIRACLE: The American Victory in the War of Independence*** by John Ferling (Oxford 2007)
5. ***THE MEN WHO LOST AMERICA: British Leadership, the American Revolution, and the Fate of the Empire*** by Andrew Jackson O'Shaughnessy (Yale 2013)
6. ***BAND OF GIANTS: The Amateur Soldiers Who Won America's Independence*** by Jack Kelly (Macmillan 2014)
7. ***AMERICAN REVOLUTIONS: A Continental History, 1750-1804*** by Alan Taylor (WW Norton 2016)
8. ***WASHINGTON'S IMMORTALS: The Untold Story of an Elite Regiment Who Changed the Course of the Revolution*** by Patrick K. O'Donnell (Grove 2017)
9. ***THEATERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION*** James Kirby Martin and David L. Preston, Editors (Westholme 2017)

### ***Books for Young Readers about the Ten Crucial Days and the Revolution Listed by Age Group***

1. ***CROSSING THE DELAWARE: George Washington Fights the Battle of Trenton*** by Arian Dean (Rosen 2004, Ages 5 – 9)

2. ***WHEN WASHINGTON CROSSED THE DELAWARE*** by Lynne Cheney (Simon & Schuster 2012, Ages 5 – 9)
3. ***REVOLUTIONARY WAR ON WEDNESDAY: Magic Tree House #22*** by Mary Pope Osborne (Random House 2000, Ages 6 – 9)
4. ***THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION FOR KIDS: A History with 21 Activities*** by Janis Herbert (Chicago Review 2002) (Ages 6 – 9)
5. ***IF YOU WERE A KID DURING THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION*** by Wil Mara (Scholastic 2016) (Ages 6 – 9)
6. ***THE CROSSING: How George Washington Saved the American Revolution*** by Jim Murphy (Scholastic 2016, Ages 8 – 12)
7. ***CROSSING THE DELAWARE: A History in Many Voices*** by Louise Peacock (Aladdin 2007, Ages 8 – 12)
8. ***GEORGE WASHINGTON: The Crossing*** by Jack E. Levin, Mark R. Levin (Threshold 2013, Ages 8 – 12)
9. ***TIME ENOUGH FOR DRUMS*** by Ann Rinaldi (Laurel Leaf 2000, Fiction, Ages 12+ -)

### ***Television and Film***

1. “*Turn*”- AMC - [www.amc.com/shows/turn](http://www.amc.com/shows/turn) (rife with historical liberties, but a nice sense of time and place).
2. “*Winter Patriots*” - [www.WinterPatriots.com](http://www.WinterPatriots.com). Produced by Mount Vernon, with support from the F. M. Kirby Foundation
3. “*The Crossing*” - A&E TV 2003 (rife with historical liberties, but a nice sense of time and place).

*These and other fine books and educational materials are available at your local library, or wherever books are sold including the David Library of the American Revolution 215-493-6776, the gift shops at The Old Barracks Museum 609-396-1776, and Washington’s Crossing Historic Park 215-493-4076. (Titles listed with a ▼ are out of print and are available at libraries or perhaps online)*