



Student Activity

Boston and the Beginnings of Revolution **Drive Thru History/American History**

Vocabulary:

nemesis, broadsides, audacious, revolution, Revolutionary War

Pre-Viewing Discussion:

Why is Boston so dear to all students of American history?

What historical sites would you visit if you could travel to Boston?

What makes Lexington and Concorde important sites in American history?

Who were some of the heroes of the opening years of the American Revolution?

Post-Viewing Discussion:

Why is the Newman window a highlight of many visitors' trips to Boston? What is the significance of the quotation, "one if by land; two if by sea"?

What role did Henry Knox play in the success of the American Revolution? What other patriots played a key role in the early beginnings of the American Revolution?

Why did British troops advance on Concorde? What did they hope to achieve there? How successful were they?

Why were Boston Puritans the first to protest British rule in the American colonies?

Further Activities:

Further investigate the biographies of any of the American heroes mentioned in this program.

Describe the lives of women who lived in Boston at the time their husbands and fathers were considering revolution.

With an emphasis on arms and armaments, further investigate American military history.

Investigate the history of the Battle of Ticonderoga fought during the French and Indian Wars in 1758.