



GUIDED READING ACTIVITY 2-4

Birth of a Democratic Nation

Reading Tip

Make a simple outline when you read to help you recall important information later.

Directions: Write an answer to each question in the space provided. Use the information in your textbook to answer the questions.

1. **Defining** What was salutary neglect?

2. **Stating** What was the purpose of the Navigation Acts?

3. **Listing** What three laws resulting from the French and Indian War angered colonists?

4. **Explaining** What made Parliament repeal the Stamp Act?

5. **Describing** How did the British government react to the Boston Tea Party?

6. **Paraphrasing** How did the Battles of Lexington and Concord lead many colonists to call for independence from Britain?

7. **Specifying** Who wrote the pamphlet *Common Sense*, and what was its main idea?

8. **Stating** What was the purpose of the Declaration of Independence?

9. **Identifying** Who was the main author of the Declaration of Independence and when was it approved?
