

DECLARING INDEPENDENCE

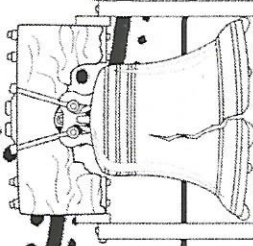
Were the colonists justified in resisting British policies? Y N
Explain _____

The Declaration of Independence was written because _____

"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their creator with certain unalienable rights"

- What are our natural rights?
- life
 - liberty
 - Pursuit of happiness

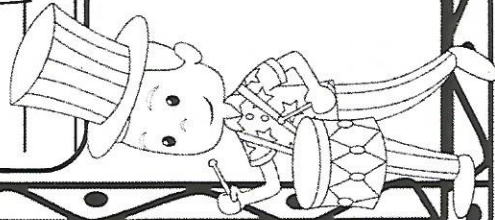
The colonist wanted to explain to the king why they should be free.



Thomas Jefferson wrote the first draft of the Declaration of Independence

The Second Continental Congress was a meeting of delegates from the colonies to talk about independence from Britain

WAYS I CELEBRATE INDEPENDENCE DAY



Adopted on

July 4, 1776

going against their own government
A crime punishable by death.

Defining the

