1. Of what is Paine confident in the third paragraph?

2. What opinion of offensive wars does Paine express in the final paragraph?

3. Name two emotions to which the author appeals in this essay.

4. What is the main idea of the essay?

5. How does Paine develop that main idea?

6. Rate Paine’s effectiveness – 5 = most effective, 1 = least effective.

7. Why did you rate Paine the way you did?

Speech in the Virginia Convention (Patrick Henry)

1. How does Henry say that he judges the future?

2. What does Henry say is the reason for the British military buildup in America?

3. What course of action must the colonists take?

4. Why do you believe Henry begins by stating his opinions of the previous speakers?

5. Why does Henry believe a compromise with the British is not a workable solution?
For the three political pieces we have read, *(The Declaration of Independence, The Crisis, No. 1, and Speech in the Virginia Convention)*, please find at least one example of each of the rhetorical devices below. Please cite the quotation by work and paragraph.

Rhetorical question –

Parallel construction –

Figurative language –

Word inversion –

Allusion –

Aphorisms –

Find your favorite line, (a pithy phrase or something said particularly well), and write a brief paragraph why you chose it.

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