**ZINN CHAPTER 5: Part I -- pp. 76-88**

**Study Questions**

1. What support did the Revolutionary War effort have among the colonial population?

2. What impact did slavery have on the war effort in the South?

3. What incentives did the Revolutionary War leaders use to attract recruits?

4. What was the American Navy’s position vis-à-vis impressment?

5. Why did Robert Morris’ plan to assuage the concerns of financial contributors to the Continental Congress anger the common soldier?

6. What was the British strategy concerning slavery in the South?

7. How is the general perception that the Revolution engendered the separation of church and state challenged by Zinn?

8. How did land confiscated from Loyalists reflect the Revolution’s effect on class relations?

9. How does Edmund S. Morgan’s summary of the class nature of the Revolution challenge the popular perception of the Revolution and its ideals? How does Richard Morris’ statement also challenge popular perception?

10. Explain Carl Degler’s assertion that "no new social class came to power throughout the door of the American revolution."

11. What was the impact of America’s victory on the Native Americans?

12. Explain Jennings’ statement: The Revolution was a *"multiplicity of variously oppressed and exploited peoples who preyed upon each other."*

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| **ZINN CHAPTER 5: Part II -- pp. 88-101****Study Questions**1. What is Charles Beard’s thesis in An Economic Interpretation of the Constitution vis-à-vis the Founding Fathers and the creation of the Constitution?2. What was the source of resentment in western towns of Massachusetts against the legislature in Boston?3. How did disgruntled western farmers seek to improve their shaky economic situation?4. What was Daniel Shays’s objective?5. What was Thomas Jefferson’s view of popular uprisings? Contrast his view with those of the established leadership.6. Why does Zinn state that democracy’s problem in post-Revolutionary America was not primarily due to Constitutional limitations on voting?7. How is Zinn critical of Madison’s argument in Federalist X.8. Why does Zinn assert that despite party differences among Federalists and Democratic-Republicans they were both fundamentally similar?9. How does Zinn characterize the Constitution’s compromises?10. How does Zinn refute one of Beard’s critics, Robert E. Brown?11. How does the Constitution illustrate the complexity of the American system?12. How does the Constitution’s contract clause or tax clause favor rich over poor?13. How does Zinn argue the First Amendment is not as stable as one might assume?14. How does Zinn contrast the government’s enforcement of the First Amendment and the power to tax?15. How does Zinn refute Bernard Bailyn’s view of the creation of the Constitution.  |
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