



# BAPHL 7

## 1776 and All That

We're so glad you were all able to come to this year's Basic American Pseudo-History Lesson field trip! Today we'll be learning about some famous people in Pseudo-History as we travel along the Freedom Trail. We've given you some assignments to complete, to show us that you've learned something about Boston's important historical events. There's a question at the end of each assignment. When you get the answer, write it on your answer sheet. Note that you also have a standardized test answer sheet, which you'll need for one particular assignment.

You've each been given a brown bag lunch which is in strict alignment with the First Lady's nutritional guidelines for growing students. At some point you're going to need the energy provided by that well-balanced meal to help you complete an assignment. Because we don't want to appear to be beholden to any corporate entities, we have obscured the names of some of the items in your lunch box. We trust you will have the self-discipline not to peek; remember, cheating only hurts yourselves.

Your first four assignments are in your packet, along with a map of the Freedom Trail. When you've completed at least two of them, come show us your work! We'll be at the Ben Franklin statue, which is marked on your map. You can identify us by the star-spangled deely-boppers we'll be wearing. For some assignments, you'll need to be in specific places; we will mark those on the map when appropriate. Others you can complete wherever you like, but we recommend not wandering too far off the trail (which is marked with a red stripe of either paint or bricks).

Recall that this is a test of how much *you* know, not how much the Internet knows, so please do not go online or use your phone to help you get answers. However, you may use your phone to take pictures. In fact, you may find this to be helpful, especially for the site-specific puzzles. If you have concerns, are confused, or just not having fun, you can call us at 617-669-8677, or at 952-428-9350.

If you want to confirm an answer, you'll need to find one of us in person, and show us your answer sheet. We'll put stickers on your maps that tell you where we are. You can also ask us, in person, for hints or confirmation of partial answers. Note that we will be less generous with hints to those in Advanced Studies. Please don't call us to confirm answers or ask for hints. Things will run more smoothly if you do that with the people posted at each station.

We'll be meeting back at the buses at 6:00 pm. We'll make sure everyone knows where the buses will be — if need be we'll call you when it gets close to that time.