Know the News: Girl Hero of the American Revolution

1. Which is a central idea of the article?
   A Sybil Ludington symbolizes the importance of everyday people in the American Revolution.
   B Danbury, Connecticut, is 12 miles from Fredericksburg, New York.
   C Many colonists objected to being forced to house British troops.
   D Sybil didn’t write her story down.

2. Which detail best supports the answer to question 1?
   A “…Danbury was a key supply base for the American colonists who formed the Continental Army.”
   B “By the mid-1700s, many colonists had grown angry at how tightly Britain’s King George and the British Parliament controlled their lives…”
   C “Sybil’s story had been kept alive privately by her family, it turned out.”
   D “…it reflects how people like Sybil played an important role in the founding of our nation…”

3. In the fourth paragraph, what does lugged mean?
   A accidentally placed
   B carried quickly
   C moved with great effort
   D rolled on a cart

4. Which of these was not a worry to Sybil on the night of her ride?
   A She could run into armed British supporters.
   B The woods could be dangerous at night.
   C British soldiers could be on their way to burn her village.
   D British troops could be marching toward Concord to destroy military supplies.

5. Why does the article mention Deborah Sampson?
   A to show how women worked as nurses
   B to give an example of a militia leader
   C to tell how one woman joined the fighting
   D to give a historian’s perspective

6. Where were the first battles of the American Revolution?
   A Danbury, Connecticut
   B Fredericksburg, New York
   C Lexington and Concord, Massachusetts
   D Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

7. The main purpose of the section “The People’s Fight” is to ___.
   A show how colonists had different opinions about whether to fight the British
   B point out how the Revolution affected the lives of everyone who lived through it
   C highlight the cruelty of British soldiers to American families
   D show how kids served as spies in British camps during the war

8. What does routinely mean in the sentence “British soldiers routinely raided houses”?
   A never
   B once in a while
   C rarely
   D regularly

9. Which of these events happened first?
   A Sybil volunteered to round up the members of her father’s militia.
   B The British tried to end protests in Boston by sending soldiers to occupy the city.
   C The Continental Congress first met in Philadelphia.
   D Congress signed the Declaration of Independence.

10. The main purpose of the map on page 21 is to show ___.
    A major battles of the American Revolution
    B the colonies that became the first 13 U.S. states
    C the route of Sybil’s ride
    D the important role of Massachusetts during the Revolution