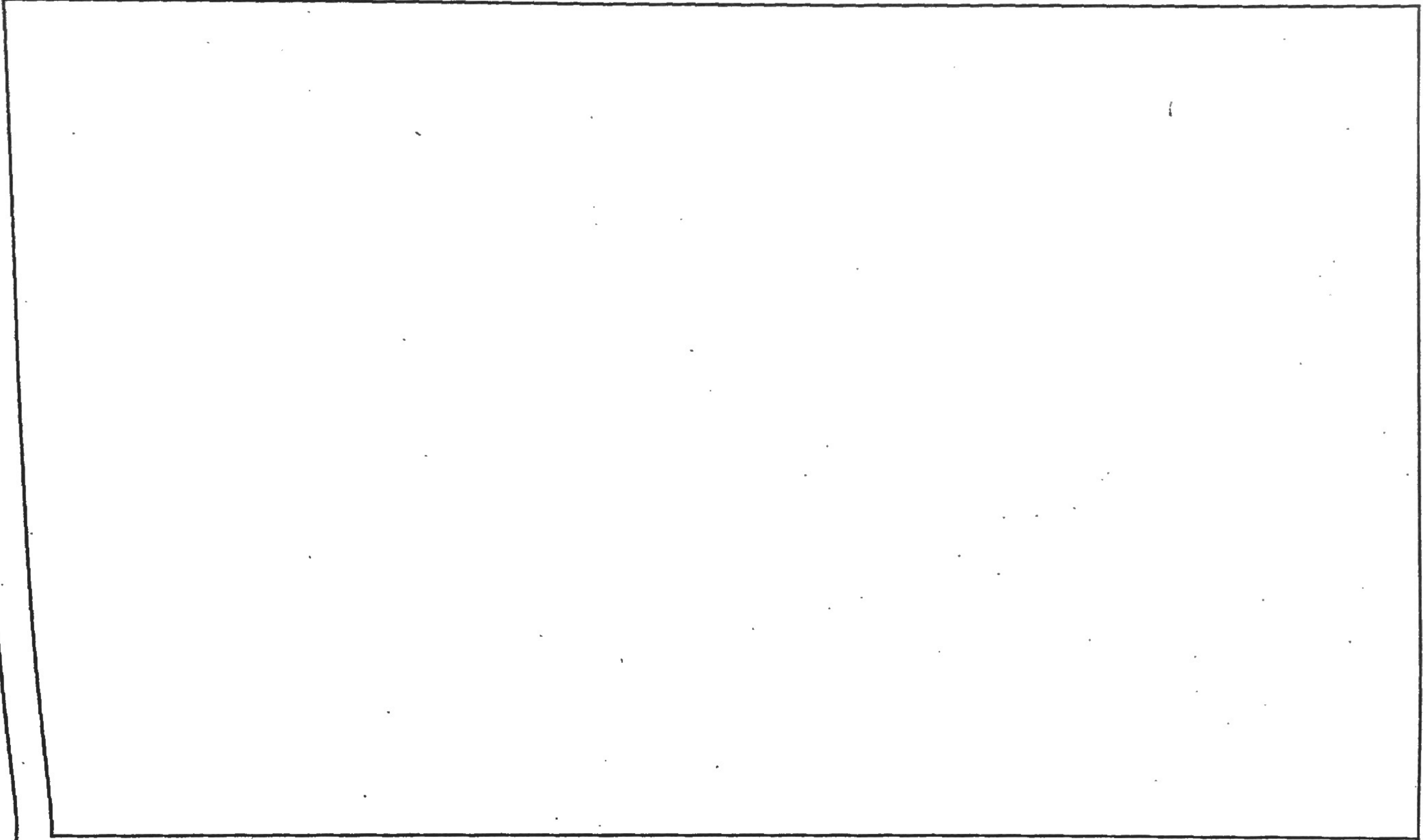
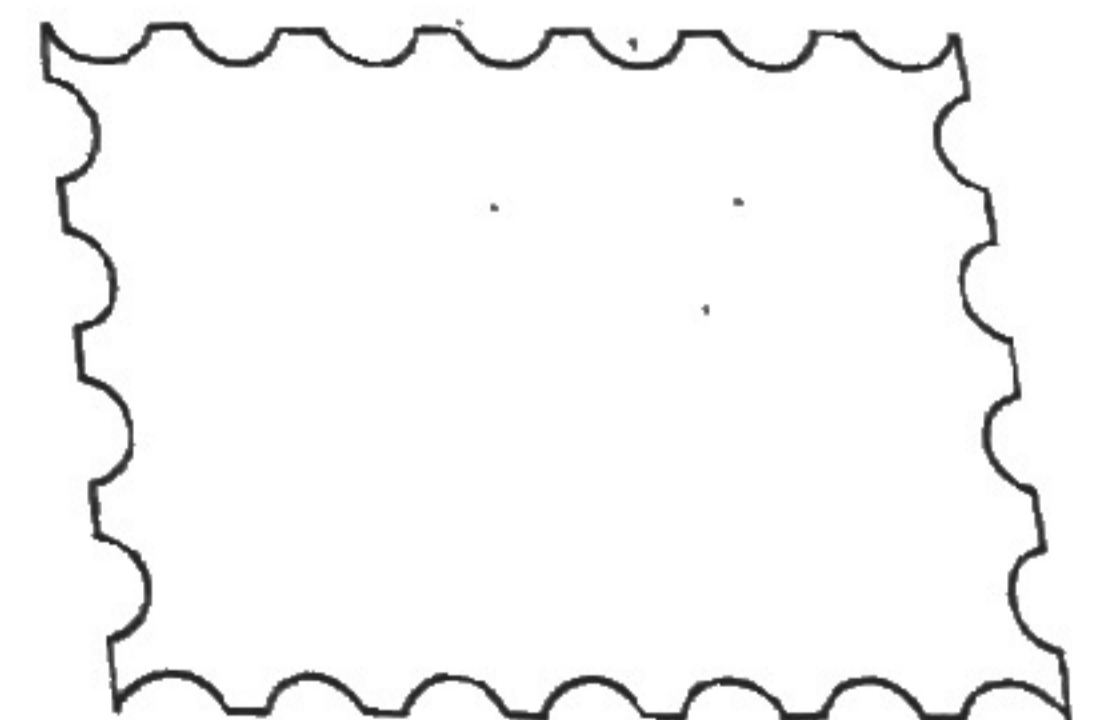


**Directions:** Pretend that you are an American colonist in the early 1700s. Write a postcard to a friend in Europe describing the colony you have settled in and your reasons for doing so. Write the message on one side of the postcard, and sketch a picture on the other side. Your postcard must contain

- a proper salutation and closing.
- three reasons you moved to the colony.
- at least two reasons why you did not settle in the two other regions.
- writing that is free of spelling and grammatical errors.
- a colorful image depicting at least one of the colony's best features.



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# Life in the Colonies

What was life really like in the colonies? = Bullseye Question

## PREVIEW

Suppose you are living in England in the 1700s. You have just finished reading "The Untold Story of Life in the American Colonies," a special edition of the *London Chronicle*. Below are eight headlines from this edition of the newspaper. Using a scale from 1 to 3, rate how accurate you think each headline is.

1: mostly accurate    2: partly accurate    3: mostly inaccurate

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|---|--|
| _____ Study Shows Farmers Spend Several Hours Playing Cards Each Day  | _____ Preachers Stir Colonists into a Frenzy   |
| _____ Unemployment Rises in Cities—Colonists Return to Mother Country | _____ Shocking Investigation: New England Schools Lack Spelling, Reading, and Arithmetic |
| _____ Colonists Ignore Principles of Self-Government                  | _____ New Survey: American Wives Say They Work Harder Than Servants                      |
| _____ African Merchants Make Fortunes Trading Cloth for Rum           | _____ Colonists Use Honeybees to Get Work Done   |

## READING NOTES

### Key Content Terms

As you complete the Reading Notes, use these terms in your answers.

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|-------------|------------------------|-----------------|
| Rights      | Parliament             | Great Awakening |
| Magna Carta | English Bill of Rights |                 |

### Sections 2 to 9

~~If your class is doing the activity for this lesson, complete all the questions for these sections. (Note: If your class is not doing the activity, skip Questions 1 and 4 in each of these sections.)~~

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Section 7

Education

Placard F

1. **Key Question:** How accurate is the headline "Shocking Investigation: New England Schools Lack Spelling, Reading, and Arithmetic": mostly accurate, partly accurate, or mostly inaccurate? Use evidence from Placard F to explain your answer.
2. Explain how education was provided in each region. Put a ★ next to the region in which people supported public education because of their religious faith.
  - New England Colonies:
  - Middle Colonies:
  - Southern Colonies:
3. Name two ways in which a colonial school in New England was different from your school.
4. If the headline about education is inaccurate, write a new, more accurate headline about this topic.

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Section 8

Colonial Families

Placard G

1. **Key Question:** How accurate is the headline "New Survey: American Wives Say They Work Harder Than Servants": mostly accurate, partly accurate, or mostly inaccurate? Use evidence from Placard G to explain your answer.
2. Give one interesting fact about colonial marriage, and tell how marriage in the United States today is different.
3. What is one reason why colonial families were so large?
4. If the headline about colonial families is inaccurate, write a new, more accurate headline about this topic.

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Section 6

RELIGION

Placard E

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I. Key Concepts

1. Key Question: How accurate is the headline "Preachers Stir Colonists into a Frenzy": mostly accurate, partly accurate, or mostly inaccurate? Use evidence from Placard E to explain your answer.
2. What two adjectives best describe Puritan church services? Explain.
3. How did the Great Awakening help pave the way for the American Revolution? Follow these two steps to reveal the answer.
  - Number the sentences below from 1 to 5 to show the order in which they occurred. One of them is numbered for you.
  - Paraphrase the sentences (reword them) and write each in the correct space in the flowchart.

\_\_\_\_\_ These new ideas strengthened the principles of liberty, equality, and self-reliance.

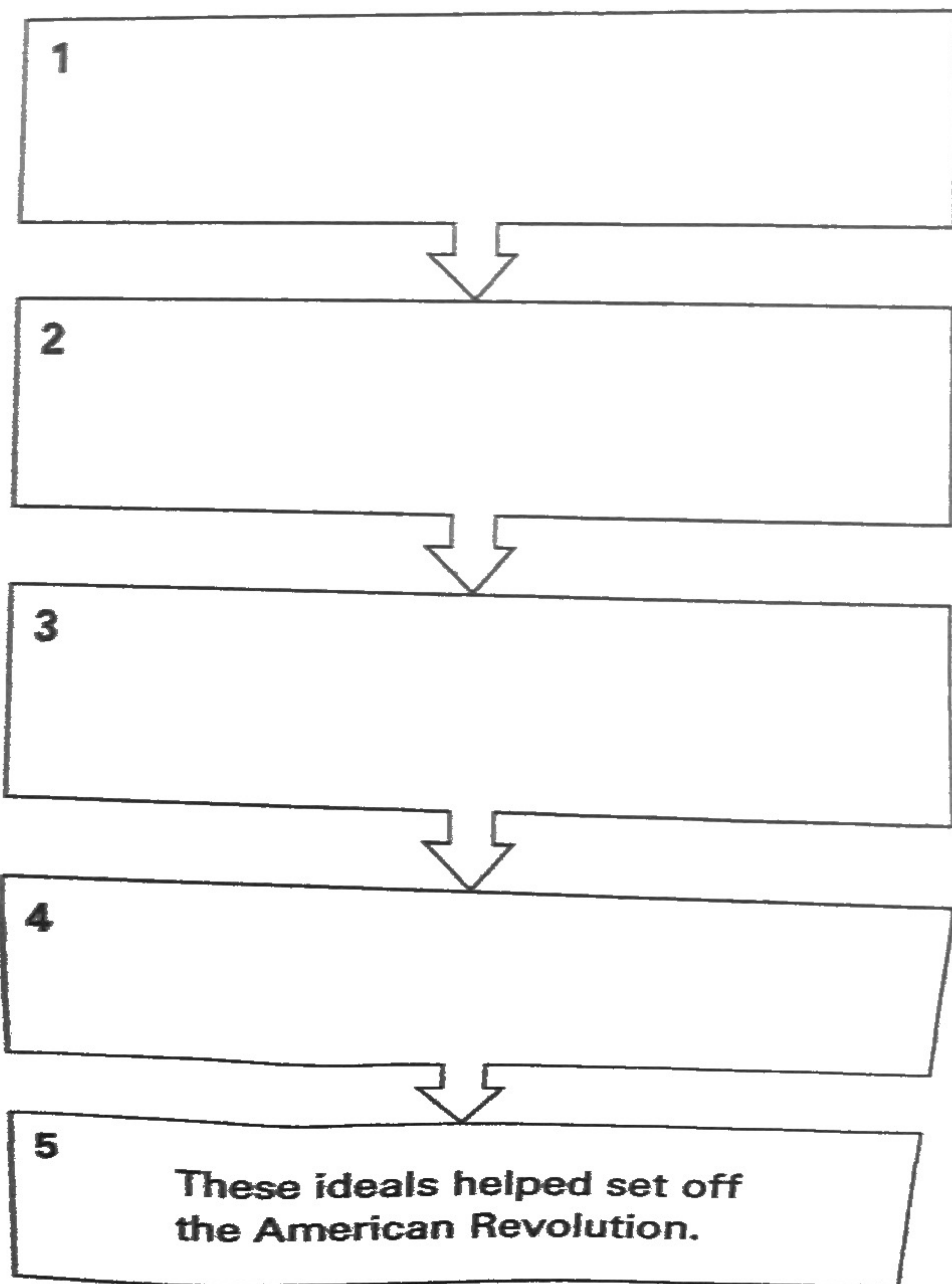
\_\_\_\_\_ There was a feeling that people had lost their religious faith.

\_\_\_\_\_ New ideas, such as "all people are equal in the eyes of God," spread through the colonies.

**5** \_\_\_\_\_ By the 1770s, colonists valued the ideals of the Great Awakening, helping pave the way for the American Revolution.

\_\_\_\_\_ The Great Awakening began in the colonies in the 1730s.

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4. If the headline about religion is inaccurate, write a new, more accurate headline about this topic.