



Historical Inquiry

Part 1: Image Analysis

Directions: Examine the images below of The Latin American Revolution and the American Revolution make at a minimum four observations.



Type your observations below:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.

Part 2: Close Read

Directions: Examine Documents A and B. As you read, contemplate how the American Revolution inspired the people of Latin America to win their freedom from the Spanish. Use the **highlighter** tool to highlight these similarities. Any words that could be important and/or vocabulary words change to a **bold font**. Underline words you don't know.

Document A: Primary Source

Note: El Grito de Dolores: September 2009

Library of Congress

Website: <https://www.loc.gov/wiseguide/sept09/independence.html>

Note: The Grito de Dolores ("Cry of/from Dolores") was the battle cry of the Mexican War of Independence, uttered on September 16, 1810, by Miguel Hidalgo y Costilla, a Roman Catholic priest from the small town of Dolores, near Guanajuato, Mexico.

"My Children, a new dispensation comes to us today...Will you free yourselves? Will you recover the lands stolen three hundred years ago from your forefathers by the hated Spaniards? We must act at once."

— Cry of Dolores, attributed to Father Miguel Hidalgo y Costilla

Based on the document above, list three ways Father Miguel Hidalgo y Costilla could have been inspired by the American Revolution and fight for Latin American's to win their freedom from the Spanish.

1.

2.

3.

B: Primary Source

Note: excerpt from the United States' Declaration of Independence, July 4, 1776

In every stage of these Oppressions We have Petitioned for Redress in the most humble terms: Our repeated Petitions have been answered only by repeated injury. A Prince whose character is thus marked by every act which may define a Tyrant, is unfit to be the ruler of a free people.

Nor have We been wanting in attentions to our British brethren. We have warned them from time to time of attempts by their legislature to extend an unwarrantable jurisdiction over us. We have reminded them of the circumstances of our emigration and settlement here. We have appealed to their native justice and magnanimity, and we have conjured them by the ties of our common kindred to disavow these usurpations, which, would inevitably interrupt our connections and correspondence. They too have been deaf to the voice of justice and of consanguinity. We must, therefore, acquiesce in the necessity, which denounces our Separation, and hold them, as we hold the rest of mankind, Enemies in War, in Peace Friends.

We, therefore, the Representatives of the united States of America, in General Congress, Assembled, appealing to the Supreme Judge of the world for the rectitude of our intentions, do, in the Name, and by Authority of the good People of these Colonies, solemnly publish and declare, That these United Colonies are, and of Right ought to be Free and Independent States; that they are Absolved from all Allegiance to the British Crown, and that all political connection between them and the State of Great Britain, is and ought to be totally dissolved; and that as Free and Independent States, they have full Power to levy War, conclude Peace, contract Alliances, establish Commerce, and to do all other Acts and Things which Independent States may of right do. And for the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes and our sacred Honor.

List three reasons why the American colonists chose to revolt against the king of England.

1.

2.

3.

Part 3: Document Analysis

Source	Author and Date	How do the above documents show that the American Revolution inspire the people of Latin America to win their freedom from the Spanish	How do you know? Write a quotation from the source that supports the desire for revolution.
A		:	
B			

Part 4: Inquiry Question

Inquiry Question:

How did the American Revolution inspire the people of Latin America to win their freedom from the Spanish? Use information from both documents to answer the question in at least one paragraph. Cite your sources.