

Section 2 Notetaking Study Guide

Question to Think About As you read Section 2 in your textbook and take notes, keep this section focus question in mind: **How were the early years of the war a critical time?**

► Use these charts to record key information from the section.

Important Battles and Places			
Where	When	What Happened	Why Important
New York State		<u>American forces had to keep retreating.</u>	
Trenton			
Saratoga			
Valley Forge	<u>Winter of 1777–1778</u>		<u>The army gathered its strength for the coming battles.</u>

Important People	
Who	What They Did and Why It Was Important
Sir William Howe	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • _____ • <u>led British during the worst days of the war for the Patriots</u>
Nathan Hale	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • _____ • <u>showed the highest level of commitment to freedom</u>
Thomas Paine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • _____ • _____
George Washington	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • _____ • <u>great military leader and an inspiring hero</u>
John Burgoyne	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>British general who planned to cut off New England</u> • _____
Horatio Gates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • _____ • _____
Marquis de Lafayette	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • _____ • <u>helped Washington win key battles</u>
Thaddeus Kosciusko	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • _____
Casimir Pulaski	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • _____
Baron von Steuben	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>helped train the Continental army</u> • _____

Refer to this page to answer the Chapter 6 Focus Question on page 91.