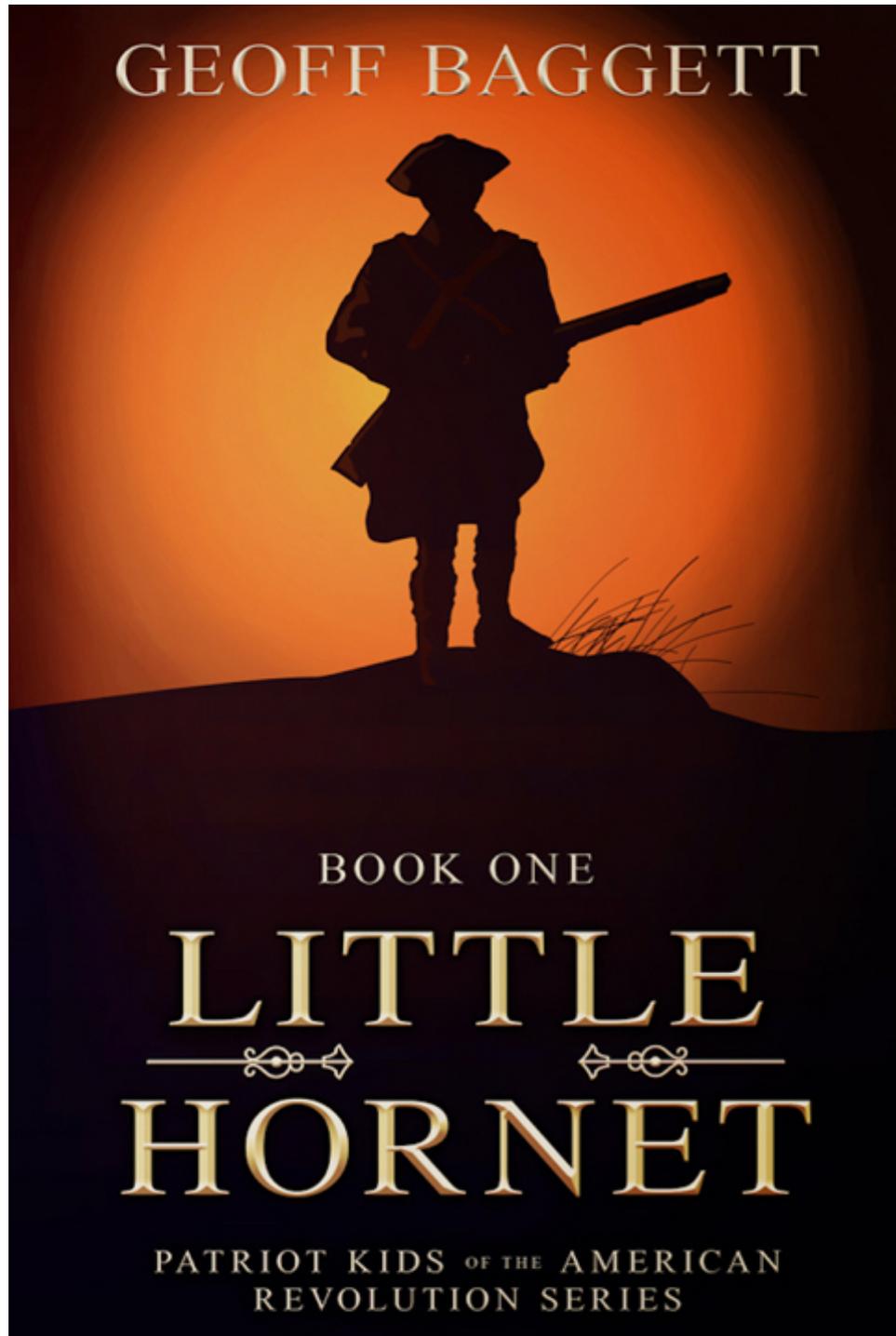


VOCABULARY WORKSHEETS SUPPLEMENT



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Chapters 1&2 *Little Hornet*

Vocabulary

1. Flintlocks- Creates a spark that can light the gunpowder stored in the barrel of the gun
2. Frizzen- the piece of steel the flint strikes
3. Frizzen cover- This **cover** helps to keep the frizzen dry under adverse conditions, and provides added safety when carrying your muzzleloader. It is made of oil tan leather and sewn with heavy-duty leather for strength and durability.
4. Patriots- a person who vigorously supports his country and its way of life
5. Redcoats- A British soldier
6. Militia- a body of citizen soldiers
7. Tories- a person who supported the British cause in the American Revolution; a loyalist
8. Continentals- the Revolutionary War Army, authorized by the Continental Congress in 1775 and led by George Washington.
9. Calvary- the part of a military force composed of troops that serve on horseback.
10. Dragoons- a member of a military unit formerly composed of such cavalymen, as in the British army.

Vocabulary to Match

1. Consoled _____
 2. Concealed _____
 3. Ward _____
 4. Convoy _____
 5. Makeshift _____
 6. Siege _____
 7. Subdue _____
 8. Dogging _____
 9. Nemesis _____
 10. Truce _____
- a. surrounding and attacking a fortified place
 - b. an opponent or rival
 - c. give solace or comfort
 - d. a suspension of hostilities for a specified period of time by mutual agreement
 - e. making due with whatever is available at that time
 - f. to avert, repel
 - g. hidden
 - h. overpower, conquer
 - i. any group of military vehicles traveling together
 - j. to follow or track like a dog

flintlocks- The basic goal of the flintlock is simple: to create a **spark** that can light the gunpowder stored in the barrel of the gun. To create this spark, the flintlock uses the "**flint and steel**" approach. The idea behind flint and steel is straightforward. Flint is an amazingly hard form of rock. If you strike **iron or steel** with flint, the flint flakes off tiny particles of iron. The force of the blow and the friction it creates actually ignites the iron, and it burns rapidly to form Fe₃O₄. The sparks that you see are the hot specks of iron burning! If these sparks come near gunpowder, they will ignite it.

The flintlock therefore needs:

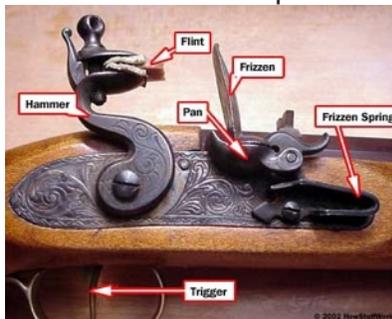
- A piece of flint
- A piece of steel
- A place for the sparks to touch gunpowder

The flint needs to move at high speed and strike the steel in such a way that the sparks fall into some gunpowder. You can see the four parts that make this happen in the picture below.

The main parts of a flintlock are:

- The **hammer**, which holds and accelerates a piece of flint
- The **mainspring**, which powers the hammer
- The **frizzen**, which is the piece of steel the flint strikes
- The **pan**, which is the place where a small quantity of gunpowder waits to receive the sparks

You can see these parts labeled in the picture below.



These four pieces are all that the flintlock actually needs to accomplish its goal, but all flintlocks also solve the problems of loading the pan, protecting the pan from the weather and triggering the hammer, so there are three additional parts:

- The **tumbler**, which holds and releases the power of the mainspring and transmits it to the hammer
- The **sear** and **sear spring**, which engage the tumbler and release it when someone pulls the trigger
- The **frizzen spring**, which holds the cover attached to the frizzen over the pan to make the flintlock weatherproof

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Chapter 3 & 4 *Little Hornet*

Vocabulary

1. Commandant- the commanding officer of a place, group, etc.
2. Infantry- soldiers or military units that fight on foot
3. Muskets- a heavy, large-caliber smoothbore gun for infantry soldiers
4. Bayonets- a dagger-like steel weapon that is attached to or at the muzzle of a gun and used for stabbing or slashing in hand-to-hand combat.
5. Volley- the simultaneous discharge of a number of missiles or firearms.

Vocabulary to Match

1. Column- _____
2. Detachment- _____
3. Formidable- _____
4. Incursion- _____
5. Knoll- _____
6. Depression- _____
7. Affirmation- _____
8. Rigor- _____
9. Sullen- _____
10. Flank- _____

- a. gloomy or dismal
- b. of great strength; size; forceful; powerful
- c. a hostile entrance into or invasion of a place
- d. sunken place or part; an area lower than the surrounding surface.
- e. severity of weather or climate
- f. a long, narrow formation of troops in which there are more members in line in the direction of movement than at right angles to the direction
- g. the extreme right or left side of an army or fleet
- h. a small, rounded hill
- i. a body of troops
- j. to express agreement with; support; understand

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Chapters 5 & 6 *Little Hornet*

Vocabulary

1. Call up of the regiment- calling and gathering all of the troops
2. Lead and powder- powder that is packed in a lead bullet for firing a gun.
3. Hard tack- a hard, salt-less biscuit
4. Provision- supplies of food
5. Haversack- a single-strapped bag worn over one shoulder and used for carrying supplies. A soldier's bag for rations
6. Snapsack- a bag for carrying supplies
7. Powder horn- a powder flask (holder) made from the horn of a cow or ox.

Vocabulary to Match:

1. serenity- _____
2. subdued- _____
3. muster- _____
4. impending- _____
5. clamoring- _____
6. weskit- _____
7. escapades- _____
8. frock- _____
9. doting- _____
10. laboriously- _____

- A. a course outer garment
- B. about to happen; imminent
- C. requiring much work, exertion, or perseverance
- D. calmness, peacefulness, tranquility
- E. to gather or assemble troops
- F. excessively fond
- G. noisily
- H. to repress, keep down, feelings, action, emotions
- I. a vest or waistcoat
- J. adventures often wild or reckless

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Chapters 7 & 8 *Little Hornet*

Vocabulary

1. Sympathizers- approving and in agreement with
2. Ambushes- attacking unexpectedly from a concealed position
3. Skirmishes- a fight between small bodies of troops, especially advanced or outlying detachments of opposing armies
4. Raiders- a commando, ranger, or the like, specially trained to participate in military raids
5. Furlough- a leave of absence granted to an enlisted person
6. Ensign- the lowest commissioned officer, ranking next below a lieutenant, junior grade, and equal to a second lieutenant in the Army
7. Huzzah- a shout like Hooray!
8. Basin- a container holding water for washing
9. Lye soap- soap made with lye for washing; a highly concentrated, aqueous solution of potassium hydroxide or sodium hydroxide.
10. Drafted- chosen by the military to become part of the military

Vocabulary to Match

1. Toiled- _____
2. Marauders- _____
3. Pone- _____
4. Mundane- _____
5. Rouse- _____
6. Venison- _____
7. Maul- _____
8. Solitude- _____
9. Rooting- _____
10. Sheepishly- _____

- A. a heavy hammer, as for driving stakes or wedges
- B. to take wrongfully, as by pillage, robbery, or fraud by open force, as in war, hostile raids
- C. the flesh of a deer for food
- D. embarrassed or bashful, as by having done something wrong or foolish.
- E. hard and continuous work
- F. living alone; seclusion
- G. to bring out of a state of sleep or unconsciousness
- H. a loaf or oval-shaped cake of cornbread
- I. digging
- J. common; ordinary, often boring

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Ch 9 & 10 ***Little Hornet***

Vocabulary

1. Foreman- a person in charge of a particular group
2. Bumper crop- unusually large crop growth and harvest
3. Corncrib- a ventilated structure for the storage of unhusked corn
4. Homestead- any dwelling with its land and buildings where a family makes its home.
5. Detail- a particular assignment of duty
6. Decree- a formal and authoritative order, especially one having the force of law
7. Guineas Gold- British coin

Vocabulary to Match

1. Rout- _____
2. Alleviate- _____
3. Encroached- _____
4. Emboldened- _____
5. Respite- _____
6. Frothing- _____
7. Feverishly- _____
8. Proclamations- _____
9. Lording- _____
10. Quipped- _____

- A. to make easier to endure; lessen
- B. a delay or relief for a period of time
- C. an overwhelming defeat in complete disorder
- D. exercising authority over
- E. foam or bubbles at the mouth of a hard-driven horse
- F. public and official announcement
- G. gradually advanced
- H. quickly, uncontrolled
- I. a clever or witty remark or comment
- J. bolder, encourage

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Ch 11 & 12 *Little Hornet*

Vocabulary

1. Guerilla force- a small, loosely organized army that fights a larger, stronger force
2. Neck stretched- to be hung, or harmed
3. Operatives- a spy
4. Treasure trove- a secretive great amount of something of worth
5. Voucher- a form authorizing a purchase
6. Sentries- a soldier(s) stationed at a place to stand guard
7. Bushwhacker- guerrilla, confederate, or outlaw

Vocabulary to Match:

1. Banter- _____
2. Ruse- _____
3. Dispatches- _____
4. Bearing- _____
5. Lamé- _____
6. Woefully- _____
7. Veritable- _____
8. Reconnoitered- _____
9. Tarry- _____
10. Imposing- _____

- A. a light, good-natured argument
- B. to send off or away with speed, as a messenger
- C. observed, surveyed
- D. wretched quality; poor
- E. bringing forth
- F. a trick, stratagem
- G. delay; wait
- H. weak; inadequate; crippled; impaired
- I. very impressive because of great size
- J. true; very much so

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Chapter 13 & 14 ***Little Hornet***

Vocabulary

1. Runners- a messenger
2. Ragtag army- ragged or shabby; disheveled
3. Entourage-a group
4. Daub- smear, spread
5. Forego- to go before; precede
6. Suffice it to say- I shall just say
7. Barracks- a building or group of buildings for lodging soldiers
8. Din- a loud, confused noise

Vocabulary to Match:

1. Decimated- _____
2. Foraging- _____
3. Procure- _____
4. Ceded- _____
5. Oppression- _____
6. Correspondence- _____
7. Ambled- _____
8. Palpable- _____
9. Reprisal- _____
10. Endeavor- _____

- A. to obtain
- B. to destroy a great number or proportion of
- C. a slow, easy walk
- D. strive, attempt, try
- E. plainly seen, heard, felt, obvious; evident
- F. to make a raid
- G. the exercise of authority or power in a burdensome, cruel, or unjust manner.
- H. retaliation, revenge
- I. relinquish, abandon, surrender
- J. communication by exchange of letters

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Chapter 15 & 16 *Little Hornet*

Vocabulary:

1. Courier system- the delivering of messages, packages, and mail
2. Rendezvous-a place designated for a meeting
3. Comrades-members, people who share the same activity, group
4. Commence- to begin; start
5. Privation-lack of the usual comforts or necessities of life
6. Schooner- a sailing vessel with at least two masts
7. Flotilla-a group of small vessels moving together
8. Debarkation- to disembark; to go ashore from a ship
9. Weary- physically or mentally exhausted; tired
10. Lobsterbacks- Redcoat
11. Manifests- a list of the cargo or passengers carried on a ship

Vocabulary to match:

1. Dormant- _____
2. Monotony- _____
3. Compromised- _____
4. Fervently- _____
5. Disseminated- _____
6. Amicable- _____
7. Dubious- _____
8. Insolence- _____
9. Brackish- _____
10. Emaciated- _____

- A. Unpleasant
- B. rude behavior or speech
- C. exposed, jeopardized
- D. intensity, enthusiastically
- E. inactive; a cessation of growth
- F. peaceful, goodwill
- G. questioning, doubtful, uncertain
- H. abnormally thin by a gradual wasting away of flesh
- I. lack of variety, sameness
- J. disperse, spread widely, broadcast