



# Saratoga National Historical Trail

## NATIONAL HISTORICAL TRAIL QUESTIONNAIRE SCOUTS BSA AND VENTURING

### FILM

1. What is the title of the film at the Visitor Center?	
2. What General commanded the British forces invading south from Canada to capture Albany, NY?	
3. What two bodies of water were they using?	
4. What General commanded the American forces when the British left Canada? He had a home in Saratoga, now known as Schuylerville	
5. What General replaced the General in #4?	
6. On what date did the first day of fighting take place in the Battles of Saratoga?	
7. In what location did the fighting take place that first day?	
8. When did the second day of fighting take place?	

### VISITOR CENTER

9. How many years did the Revolutionary War last?	
10. What European country supplied over 100,000 muskets that the Americans used at Saratoga? This country would later sign an alliance with the U.S. as a result of the American victory here.	
11. What state did black soldier Edom London fight on the side of?	
12. What did the British commanding General call the surrender agreement?	
13. What Iroquois nation sided with the United States during the American Revolution?	
14. What were the main foods issued to Revolutionary War soldiers?	
15. What long, pointed weapon was placed at the end of a musket for use in hand-to-hand combat?	
16. Women following 18 <sup>th</sup> century armies and helping tend the sick, do laundry, and scavenge for supplies were called what?	
17. Many of the soldiers in the Crown Forces were not British. What other nationality made up a large part of the British Army?	
18. What is the weight of the "12-pound" cannons?	

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## BREYMANN REDOUBT (STOP 7)

19. What officer commanded the Grenadiers of the nationality in #17? A redoubt is named after him.	
20. What happened to him (#19) during the attack on his redoubt on the second day of fighting, 7 October 1777?	
21. Did this redoubt (#19) fall to the Americans?	
22. Other troops besides British and those in #17 made up the Crown Forces. One such group occupied two log cabins that were to protect the left flank of the redoubt in #17. Who were they?	
23. The "Nameless Boot" Monument commemorates what American officer who played a notable role in the defeat of the British?	
24. What part of his body was wounded?	
25. Who had this monument erected and in what year?	
26. Why is the Boot Monument nameless? What did the officer in question do a few years later that caused the Americans to try capturing him?	

## THE GREAT REDOUBT (STOP 9)

27. What major river running north to south in New York State was the most important transportation route in the state and used by the British?	
28. Why did the British build the river redoubts?	
29. What night did Burgoyne order the retreat of his army?	
30. Name the village where the British retreated to and where they eventually surrendered?	
31. What is this village called today?	
32. What unpleasant duty did Burgoyne and his army perform on 17 October 1777?	

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## FRASIER BURIAL SITE (STOP 10)

33. What British general, born in Scotland, was fatally wounded in the Second Battle and buried in the Great Redoubt?	
34. What types of draft animals were used by the British to move their artillery?	
35. Being wounded or sick in any war is painful and frightening. It was especially so for the British at Saratoga, for Burgoyne was forced to do what with these men as he retreated?	
36. What is the name of the canal used in the 1800s that runs through the Park and followed the same north-south route chosen by Burgoyne in 1777?	
37. What two bodies of water did this canal link?	
38. In what building did the General in #33 die? What was the time and date of his death?	

## BURGOYNE'S HEADQUARTERS (STOP 8)

39. What was an officer's tent called?	
40. What important officer in the British Army made these fields his headquarters?	

## FREEMAN'S FARM / BALCARRES REDOUBT (STOP 6)

41. What is the date of the First Battle of Saratoga?	
42. What four British regiments were part of Hamilton's Column during the First Battle?	
43. What was the name of the family that lived on the field where the First Battle and part of the Second Battle were fought?	
44. What type of work did this family do before the battles?	
45. What happened to this family's house and outbuildings after the First Battle?	
46. What were the defensive fortifications of log and earth construction which the British built called?	
47. The Balcarres Redoubt was named after Major Balcarres. What part of the British Army did he command?	
48. What outwork was constructed by the British to defend the Balcarres Redoubt? Its name derives from the many casualties suffered near it in the Second Battle.	