# The World Turned Upside Down

# Victory!

-surrounded, the British under

Cornwallis surrender Oct 19, 1781

- Britain recognizes the USA as an independent nation in the Treaty of Paris signed in 1783

#### 1781

- tired of running around chasing Nathaneal Greene in the South, the British head north to **Yorktown, Va** -Washington moves his army south to join Greene, French navy blocks Yorktown by sea

# Oct 7, 1780

# The Battle of Kings Mountain

Overmountain men from East TN joined with Patriots from NC to defeat British, who had threatened their leaders and their land.

Famous Last Words: An aggravated Major Patrick Ferguson sent a message to the elusive Overmountain Men: "If you do not desist your opposition to the British Arms, I shall march this army over the mountains, hang your leaders, and lay waste your country with fire and sword."

# Feb, 1778 France joins the War

The French agreed to send ships, soldiers, and money to help in the American war effort. **Lafayette** joins Washington's staff

# Spring, 1778 - 1783 With help from France and Spain, the Continental Army won the American Revolution

# 1780

Southern Patriots fight the British with small groups that attack suddenly and disappear. Francis Marion, "The Swamp Fox", uses guerrilla tactics he learned in the French and Indian War.

## 1775-1799

### Illinois & Ohio River Valley

To secure the West, Virginian forces occupied British outposts and captured officers in Cahokia, Kaskaskia, and Fort Vincennes.

# Winter, 1778-79

British capture Savannah, Georgia and decide to focus on the Southern Colonies, where they believe they have more support.

# Sept, 1779

"I have not yet begun to fight!"

John Paul Jones and the American
navy attack British ships as far away
as the coast of Britain.