



Who Wrote the Declaration of Independence?

- Quiz

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Q1. Who is credited as the lead author of the Declaration of Independence?

- A. John Adams
- B. Benjamin Franklin
- C. Thomas Jefferson
- D. Roger Sherman

Q2. How old was Thomas Jefferson when he wrote the first draft of the Declaration of Independence?

- A. 33
- B. 40
- C. 25
- D. 50

Q3. Which of the following was NOT a member of the committee tasked with drafting the Declaration of Independence?

- A. Robert R. Livingston
- B. George Washington
- C. John Adams
- D. Roger Sherman

Q4. When was the Declaration of Independence adopted by Congress?

- A. July 2nd, 1776
- B. July 4th, 1776
- C. June 11th, 1776
- D. August 2nd, 1776

Q5. What are the first printed copies of the Declaration of Independence called?

- A. Dunlap Broad sides
- B. Stone Facsimiles
- C. Matlack Copies
- D. Jefferson Drafts

Q6. Who was responsible for engrossing the official copy of the Declaration of Independence?

- A. Thomas Jefferson
- B. John Adams
- C. Timothy Matlack
- D. William J. Stone

Q7. When did the Continental Congress order the engrossed copy of the Declaration of Independence?

- A. July 4th, 1776
- B. July 19th, 1776
- C. June 11th, 1776
- D. August 2nd, 1776

Q8. What document did Thomas Jefferson draw upon when writing the Declaration of Independence?

- A. The Magna Carta
- B. The Virginia Constitution
- C. The Articles of Confederation
- D. The Bill of Rights

Q9. Where is the engrossed copy of the Declaration of Independence displayed today?

- A. The Library of Congress
- B. The Smithsonian Museum
- C. The National Archives
- D. The White House

Q10. Who created a copperplate print facsimile of the Declaration of Independence in 1824?

- A. Timothy Matlack
- B. John Dunlap
- C. William J. Stone
- D. Benjamin Franklin

Answer Key

1. Q1: C
2. Q2: A
3. Q3: B
4. Q4: B
5. Q5: A
6. Q6: C
7. Q7: B
8. Q8: B
9. Q9: C
10. Q10: C