**The Patriot Movie Guide Questions**

1. **What prior war was Benjamin Martin (Mel Gibson) and many of the other men heroes of?**
2. **Why do you think Benjamin chooses not to fight? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**
3. **Was Benjamin a Loyalist or a Patriot? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**
4. **What practical joke did Gabriel (oldest son) play on the girl in Charles Town?**
5. **What was Benjamin’s plantation being used for after a nearby battle?**
6. **Did Benjamin have slaves on his plantation? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**
7. **What happens to Benjamin’s son Thomas?**
8. **What did the British do to the Rebel wounded and Benjamin’s plantation?**
9. **What nickname does Benjamin get and why?**
10. **What does Captain Wilkins say when the British Colonel asks where does his loyalties lie?**
11. **What does he say about his neighbors that would betray England and its King?**
12. **How does Benjamin feel about Gabriel rejoining the ranks of the Continental Army? What would you have done if you were Gabriel?**
13. **What does Gabriel pick up from the ground that a soldier said was a “lost cause”?**
14. **Why do you think Benjamin wanted Akim the slave to place his own mark on the army enlistment paper?**
15. **What does Benjamin decide to do after burying Gabriel? What is he carrying?**
16. **What is ironic about Akim, the slave helping the wounded soldier thru the swamp?**
17. **Who were the captured British Soldiers? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**
18. **What does Benjamin use to make bullets and why?**
19. **What military strategy or tactics did the colonists use to win the war?**
20. **Why was the French officer getting dressed up before the battle?**
21. **What were the men building at the end of the movie?**