

# Men of the Revolution: 7. Thomas Paine

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## Vocabulary

1. Traduced – said very critical or disparaging things about somebody or something
2. Waned – drew to a close
3. Ingratitude - failure to express or feel appreciation or thanks
4. Corset - a stiff undergarment
5. Stay maker – corset maker
6. Cobbler – shoemaker and repairer
7. Cesspool – filthy or immoral place
8. Abiding - permanent or long-lasting
9. Pass - a state of affairs, usually of an undesirable nature
10. Whig - U.S. a supporter of the American side against the British in the American Revolution
11. Articulate - able to express thoughts, ideas, or feelings coherently
12. Zealot – passionate supporter of a cause
13. Advocating - supporting or speaking in favor of something
14. Pamphlet - a small leaflet or paper booklet, usually unbound and coverless, that gives information or supports a position
15. Severing - breaking off a relationship or tie with somebody
16. Animosity - a feeling or spirit of hostility and resentment
17. Unprecedented - unequalled
18. Sullen – bad temper or hostility
19. Assailed - to attack somebody vigorously with words or actions
20. Denounced - to criticize or condemn something publicly and harshly
21. Establishment - a group of people who hold power in a society
22. Exploiting – taking advantage of
23. Refuge – a protected or safe place
24. Downtrodden - made passive and obedient by constant harsh treatment
25. Surging - to increase strongly and suddenly
26. Ebb – to diminish or lessen in intensity
27. Extraordinary – unusually excellent or strange
28. Fortitude - strength and endurance in a difficult or painful situation
29. Nobility - high ideals or excellent moral character
30. Broadside - a strong spoken or written attack on somebody
31. Exiled – being forced or choosing to live in another country
32. Deism - a belief in God based on reason rather than revelation and involving the view that God has set the universe in motion but does not interfere with how it runs. Deism was especially influential in the 17th and 18th centuries.
33. Egotist - somebody with an exaggerated sense of his or her own importance, especially somebody who tends to speak or write about himself or herself excessively
34. Stateless - not being a citizen of any country and having no nationality
35. Nonconforming- does not *conform* (behave or think in a socially acceptable way) to an accepted pattern of behavior
36. Interred - to bury the remains of a corpse in a grave or tomb
37. Vandals - somebody who intentionally defaces or destroys somebody else's property
38. Desecrated - to damage something that is held dear or revered (admired and honored)