

# Revolutionary Women: Patriots and Loyalists

## Objective:

Standard 5

Students will understand the significance of the American Revolution in the development of the United States.

Objective 2

Assess the factors affecting the course of the war and contributing to American victory.

a. Examine how the Revolutionary War affected the colonists.

Language Arts

Reading: Informational Text Standard 3

Analyze how a text makes connections among and distinctions between individuals, ideas, or events (e.g., through comparisons, analogies, or categories).

Explain to students that we are going to write a Two-Voice Poem about Revolutionary women from both sides of the Revolutionary war. The student's job is to compare and contrast what the women on both sides of war went through. How was it the same? How was it different?

## Procedure

1. Explain to students what a Two-voice poem is.

These are poems where two contrasting viewpoints are written. The poetry usually has two columns—one for each person who is reading the poem. They are created so that two people should read the poem... one person reads as one character, and the second person reads as the other. Sometimes, the poet wants the two readers to say something at the same time; so the poet writes the words on the same line in each column. These poems often sound like a dialogue for two people.

How do I write poetry for two voices?

Just like all poetry, poems for two voices need an idea.

In writing your own poem for two voices, think about ideas that need discussion or make for great dialogue.

2. Read the primary sources provided. Pick one Loyalist and one Patriot to write the Two-Voice Poem about.

3. List 3 ideas from your reading that compares and contrasts each woman.

4. Brainstorm a list of 5-10 words that are important to your idea. (You don't have to use all of these.)

5. Begin crafting your poem into two columns—one column for each speaker in the poem.

6. Present poems to the class.

## Wrap-up

Exit Ticket

1. What are three differences between Loyalist and Patriot Women during the Revolutionary War?

2. What are three similarities between Loyalist and Patriot Women during the Revolutionary War?