



250th Anniversary of American Independence

- The **American Revolution** culminated in the **United States Declaration of Independence**, drafted principally by **Thomas Jefferson** on a portable lap writing desk.
- Initially, the conflict was largely a **civil war within Britain's American colonies**. It became an international war after **France** (1778) and **Spain** (1779) joined against Britain, while the **Netherlands** provided vital financial support.
- In **2026**, the **United States** is commemorating the **250th anniversary** of its independence.

APSC Relevance: World History; American Revolution