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We celebrate the 4th of July because this was the day in 1776 that the Continental Congress approved the Declaration of Independence. This document announced the independence of the 13 colonies from Great Britain.

This happened during the American Revolutionary War, which lasted from 1775 to 1783. This war began after years of disagreement between the colonies and Great Britain over taxes, representation, and British control.

The Revolutionary War represents the struggle to achieve freedom, and July 4th marks the moment when the colonies declared their independence.

In 1776, people celebrated with bells, bonfires, and loud celebrations. Today, July 4th is celebrated with parades, fireworks, and time with family and friends.

Discussion Question:

What does the Fourth of July mean to you?

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