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Why Do Americans Celebrate the 4th of July?

Read the short passage and answer the questions.

On July 4, 1776, leaders of the thirteen American colonies approved the Declaration of Independence.

This document announced that the colonies would no longer be ruled by Great Britain. Americans celebrate this important event every year with parades, fireworks, and family gatherings.



Questions:

1. What date is Independence Day?

2. What document was approved on July 4, 1776?

3. How many colonies were there?

4. Which country ruled the colonies?

5. Name two ways Americans celebrate Independence Day.
