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INDEPENDENCE DAY READING

Answer each question.

In 1776 the Americas weren't a country, it was thirteen colonies. They were ruled by England. The people there were unhappy. They said England wasn't fair. The colonists wrote the Declaration for Independence. It was signed on July 4th, 1776. That's the reason we call it Independence Day. The colonies and England went to war. They fought for many years. Then England said the colonies could be free. They became the United States of America.

People show they like this called Independence Day. People have picnics and barbecues. They have fireworks and parades. The Americans are so proud of the holiday. The 4th of July is fun for all!

Why were the colonists mad at England?

How do Americans celebrate Independence Day?

What happened on July 4th, 1776?

What did the Declaration of Independence say?