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Factors leading to American Victory

- British advantages and disadvantages
- Patriot advantages and disadvantages

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Factors leading to American victory

- British advantages and disadvantages
 - well armed, well trained, experienced
 - professional, experienced military leadership
 - support of Loyalists and some Native Americans
 - reluctant to use full force
 - underestimated the Patriots
 - unskilled in fighting non-traditional warfare

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Factors leading to American victory

- Patriot advantages and disadvantages
 - poorly armed and trained
 - fighting for a cause not for pay
 - fighting on their home territory
 - skilled in fighting non-traditional warfare
 - George Washington
 - alliance with the French

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Creating a government consistent with ideals of the Revolution

- centralizing power so that people of talent and merit could guide society
- decentralizing power so that ordinary people guided by civic virtue and hard work could guide society

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America as a Confederation

- state constitutions
 - expansion of suffrage
 - separation of church and state
- Articles of Confederation (1777-1788)
 - weak national government
 - attempts to regulate western settlement
 - inability to address the issue of war debt
 - economic and social instability