

## Alexander Hamilton Documentary

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***Note to students. This documentary is nearly 2 hrs in length. Your questions cover the first 1hr and 15 minutes. There is no expectation that you view beyond this point.***

1. What made Hamilton an outsider?
2. What was his educational background?
3. What was his position on slavery?
4. Why did Hamilton become involved in the American Revolution?
5. Under what circumstances did Hamilton meet George Washington? How did this meeting change his life? Describe their relationship with one another?
6. What important role did Hamilton play in Revolutionary War?
7. What profession did he undertake after the War? How does this help him attain his future goals?
8. How was Hamilton different from the other founding fathers?
9. What was his position on the Constitution? How did he make his ideas known?
10. Why was the US bankrupt in 1789? Whom did we owe?
11. Describe his plan of 'assumption'.
12. Why did Thomas Jefferson want to move the capital from New York?
13. What was 'the dinner table compromise'?
14. Who was Maria Reynolds?
15. Why did Hamilton have so much power in George Washington's government?
16. What proposals did Hamilton put before Congress?
17. Why did Thomas Jefferson stand in opposition to Hamilton's economic plans?
18. Who were the Federalists and Democratic-Republicans? What were their beliefs?
19. How did the French Revolution affect American politics?
20. What was the manumission society?
21. After your viewing of the documentary, what can you conclude about Alexander Hamilton's strengths and weaknesses?