Our English Heritage Notes Questions

1. What did the Magna Carta guarantee in Great Britain?

2. *Critical Thinking*: Why was the Magna Carta significant?

3. What is precedent?

4. *Critical Thinking*: What is the advantage to using precedent when making decisions?

5. What marked the beginning of self-government in the United States?

6. *Critical Thinking*: What are two personality characteristics someone would have needed to be willing to leave their home to come to the colonies? Explain your choices.

7. *Critical Thinking*: Why would the American colonists be unhappy about paying taxes to Great Britain?

8. What did Great Britain pass in response to the Boston Tea Party? How did the colonists react?

9. *Critical Thinking*: Why would many of the colonists have been reluctant to declare independence from Great Britain at first? Explain your thinking.