

April Morning Internet Hunt by Cindy O'Hora

Based on the novel *April Morning* by Howard Fast

Directions: Click on the [link](#) to go to a web site with the answer to the question. Once you find it, use the **Go Menu**, of your browser, to return to this web page.

1. The author, Howard Fast, wrote many books set during the time of the American Revolution.

[What happened to him in 1950?](#)

2. What happened to [Mr. Fast's books](#) after the above occurred?

3. Vocabulary - Use this [online dictionary](#) to find the meaning of the following words:

inordinately

sufficiently

barbarian

Find a [synonym](#) for disparity

4. Is there really a [Menotomy, MA.](#)?

5. The story is told as a first person recollection of the events of the day. [Here is another account.](#)
How do the two recollections compare?

Write two similarities.

Write two disparities.

6. In the tale, Adam recalls playing a game called Pontiac. It was named after a Native American.
[Write three facts about Pontiac.](#)

10. What happened to the [midnight riders](#) who warned the people the British were coming?

11. Explore this interactive site about [Daily life during Colonial times](#). What were the roles of women?

12. Explore the [Minute Man National Historic Park](#). How many times have they rebuilt the North Bridge?



Done Already?

Are the facts straight? This is a work of historical fiction. It is based on actual events. Use this [map resource](#) at the Library of Congress to determine just how accurate it is. Identify the route taken by the British that was described in the story. Left Charlestown, crossed Charles River, on to Cambridge then on to Menotomy.

Suppose you are to write a historical fiction story about your town. List three local landmarks you would include in the story to add authenticity.

Watch the web movie The Shot Heard Round the World. <http://earlyamerica.com/series.html> (This may take a few minutes to load, but it is so remarkable it is well worth the time.)

Do you think it was Paul Revere who rode into Adam's town to raise the alarm? "[Paul Revere's Ride](#)"

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