8 <sup>th</sup> Grade American Studies	Name
Unit 5 – The Critical Period	Date
Topic: Shays' Rebellion	Period
Directions: Using pages 161-162 in the textbook, please answer	the following questions.

- 1. How did Massachusetts try to raise money to pay off its war debts?
- 2. What was the one thing that they would NOT do? (Why do you think this was the case?)
- 3. Why were these new taxes particularly hard on farmers?
- 4. What were three (3) ways in which farmers were NEGATIVELY impacted by these new taxes?
- 5. Why did the western Massachusetts farmers target their anger and frustration at the courthouses?
- 6. DEFINED What was Shays' Rebellion?
- 7. How long did Daniel Shays' rebellion last?
- 8. How did it end?
- 9. What happened to most of the men who participated in the rebellion? Why?
- 10. What was the result when the Massachusetts state government asked the National Government for help with Shays' Rebellion?

SHAYS' REBELLION	THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION
Why were the Massachusetts farmers upset?	Why were the American colonists upset?
How did the farmers respond to the situation?	How did the American colonists respond to the situation?
What happened to the farmers?	What happened to the colonists?
What is the relationship between Shays' Rebellion and the Articles of Confederation?	

How are Shays' Rebellion and the American Revolution similar?