The Crisis (p. 134)

VOCABULARY IN CONTEXT: Using context clues, explain what the bolded word most likely means and explain how you came up with that conclusion – i.e. which word(s) in the sentence led you to that conclusion. This information is to come from your brain, NOT FROM YOUR PHONE OR THE TEXTBOOK!!! coo

- 1. These are the times that **try** men's souls.

 - How do you know? ______
- 2. What we obtain too cheap, we esteem too lightly; it is dearness only that gives everything its value.
- 3. Heaven knows how to put a proper price upon its goods; and it would be strange indeed if so <u>celestial</u> an article as freedom should not be highly rated.
- 4. God Almighty will not give up a people to military destruction, or leave them unsupportedly to perish, who have so **<u>earnestly</u>** and so repeatedly sought to avoid the calamities of war, by every decent method which wisdom could invent.
- 5. God Almighty will not give up a people to military destruction, or leave them unsupportedly to perish, who have so earnestly and so repeatedly sought to avoid the <u>calamities</u> of war, by every decent method which wisdom could invent.
 - What does the word mean? ______

Read The Crisis (p. 134) by Thomas Paine and answer the following questions.

- 1. Interpret: "These are the times that try men's souls".
- 2. What are the "summer soldier" and the "sunshine patriot"? (Hint: it is not the American and the British soldiers.)
- 3. How does Paine feel about those that will stand up and fight?
- 4. To what does Paine compare tyranny?
- 5. What is the meaning of "what we obtain too cheap, we esteem too lightly"? Do you agree or disagree? Explain your answer.
- 6. Of what does Paine accuse Great Britain?
- 7. How does Paine feel about the timing of the Revolution?
- 8. According to Paine, why will God not let the colonies be destroyed by war?
- 9. To what does Paine compare the king?
- 10. What connection do you think Paine sees between the panics in European history that he describes and the experience the colonists were facing/
- 11. What type of man will "pursue his principles unto death"?
- 12. Summarize the passage from "Not all the treasures of the world" to the end of the essay.