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Project Description
<p>Students will investigate the Historical Markers in and around Savannah related to the Siege of Savannah during American Revolution.</p> <p>Questions to consider:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Why was Savannah a significant location in Georgia during the Revolutionary War?</li> <li>• Why did some Georgians remain loyal to Britain while others became Patriots?</li> <li>• How is a siege different from other forms of warfare?</li> <li>• What was the long-term outcome of the Siege of Savannah?</li> </ul>
Inquiry Format
<p>Students will research the Georgia Historical Society resource database and Historical Marker database for information on the Siege of Savannah.</p>
Georgia Standards of Excellence
<p>SS8H3 Analyze the role of Georgia in the American Revolutionary Era. c. Analyze the significance of the Loyalists and Patriots as a part of Georgia's role in the Revolutionary War; include the Battle of Kettle Creek and Siege of Savannah.</p>
Primary & Secondary Sources to Use
<p>Potential Primary Sources</p> <p>I Account of the Siege of Savannah:  <a href="https://www.loc.gov/resource/gdcmassbookdig.siegeofsavannahOOhoug/?sp=2&amp;st=slideshow#slide-II">https://www.loc.gov/resource/gdcmassbookdig.siegeofsavannahOOhoug/?sp=2&amp;st=slideshow#slide-II</a></p> <p>2. A map of the planned siege of Savannah in 1779  <a href="https://catalog.mountvernon.org/digital/collection/p16829coll42/id/243/">https://catalog.mountvernon.org/digital/collection/p16829coll42/id/243/</a></p> <p>3. Letter: "We took Possession of the Town": Stephen De Lancey, Savannah Georgia, 1779  <a href="https://www.battlefields.org/learn/primary-sources/we-took-possession-town-stephen-de-lancey-savannah-georgia-1779">https://www.battlefields.org/learn/primary-sources/we-took-possession-town-stephen-de-lancey-savannah-georgia-1779</a></p> <p>Potential Secondary Sources</p> <p>1. Capture of Savannah Historical Marker  2. Revolutionary War Barracks and Fortification Historical Marker  3. Tybee Island Historical Marker  <a href="https://www.battlefields.org/learn/revolutionary-war/battles/savannah">https://www.battlefields.org/learn/revolutionary-war/battles/savannah</a></p>

Expected Outcome/Output for Students
<p>Students will gain a historical understanding of the role that the Siege of Savannah played on the outcome of the American Revolution.</p>
Historical Marker Connections
<p>Option 1: Students will write a letter from the perspective of a Revolutionary War soldier describing the events that led to the Siege of Savannah, the events during the siege and the outcome. (200-400 words)</p> <p>Option 2: Students will create a newspaper article explaining the events of the Siege of Savannah as they might have been reported during the war. The newspaper can be written by Loyalists or Patriots sympathizers (200-400 words)</p>