Discussion Questions - Paul Revere's Ride

Use the following discussion starters and questions to start a discussion about Paul Revere's famous ride the night of April 18, 1775.

- 1. What do you know about Paul Revere?
- 2. What did Paul Revere do on the night of April 18, 1775?
- 3. What were the events leading up to Paul Revere's ride that night?
- 4. Why did Paul Revere ride to Lexington? Why was it important for him to go there?
- 5. Why did Paul Revere want to continue his ride to Concord?
- 6. What do you think was the significance of Paul Revere's ride?
- 7. Do you think Paul Revere was a hero? Why or why not?
- 8. What are some other ways that Paul Revere made a difference in history?
- 9. What are some things that you learned about Paul Revere and his ride?
- 10. Why was Paul Revere riding his horse through the towns and countryside of Massachusetts? Why was it important for him to ride through the countryside?
- 11. What were the two lanterns that Paul Revere saw in the church steeple supposed to mean?
- 12. What towns did Paul Revere ride through?
- 13. Why was it important for Paul Revere to warn the people about the British "Regulars" that were coming?
- 14. What do you think would have happened if Paul Revere had not been able to warn the people?
- 15. Who helped Paul Revere that night as he tried to warn the Colonists that the British "Regulars" were coming?
- 16. What do you think of Paul Revere's actions?
- 17. What other things do you know about Paul Revere?