Group Discussion Guide

Directions: Read the following scenario and answer the questions below. Everyone should be prepared to present your group’s answers and reasoning to the class.

SCENARIO: It is 1775, and tensions with King George III are high. Colonists have begun storing guns, cannons, and other weapons in Concord. The British know about the arms and have decided to send troops from Boston to Concord to confiscate them.

In your discussion with members of your identity group, address these questions:

1. Who owns the guns at Concord?
2. What should your group do to protect the will of the people of Massachusetts?
3. Who has the legal right to control the guns? Why?