

# “Paul Revere’s Ride”

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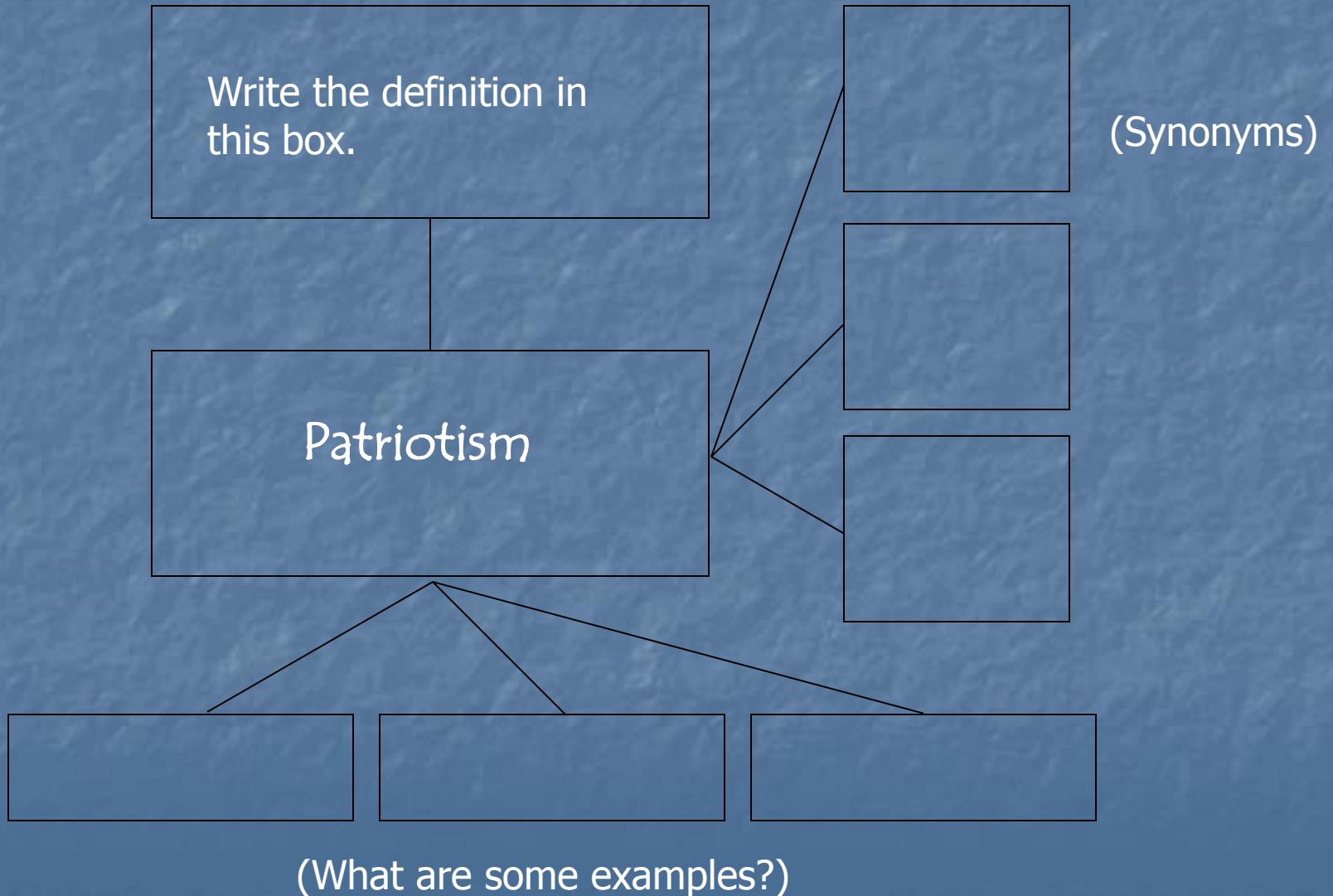
# Essential Question #1

How does a narrative poem help us understand history?





# Understanding Patriotism



# Who was Paul Revere?



Let's learn about the main character in this narrative poem.

[http://earlyamerica.com/paul\\_revere.htm](http://earlyamerica.com/paul_revere.htm)

# The Beginning of the American Revolution

The following short video provides some background into the events of Paul Revere's famous ride. While some of it is fictionalized, you will see the patriotism of these early Americans.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q1El-guPeEo>

# “Ye Olde” Vocabulary

The following vocabulary words/phrases appear in the poem; however, most of us don't use them in 21<sup>st</sup> century conversation. Do you know what they mean or what they are?

belfry

moorings

man-of-war

spar

stealthy tread

impetuous

spectral

alders

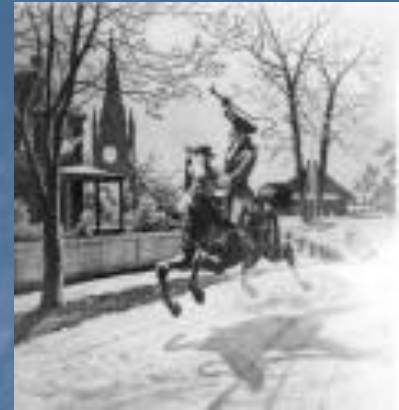
gilded weathercock

aghast

British Regulars

peril

# Reading the Poem



Look at your copy of the poem.

As we read the poem, listen to the poetry sound devices that assist with the rhythm.

Be prepared to label important poetry devices within the poem.

# Understanding the Poem

Let's use SOAPS to analyze some of the poetical elements found within the poem.

In your notes, write the following information and complete it based on the poem:

Subject:

Occasion:

Audience:

Purpose:

Speaker:





# Understanding the Poem

Now, let's use the TP-CASTT acronym to further evaluate the poetry elements.

Copy the following into your notes and complete them based on the poem:

Title:

Paraphrase:

Connotation:

Attitude:

Shifts:

Title:

Theme:

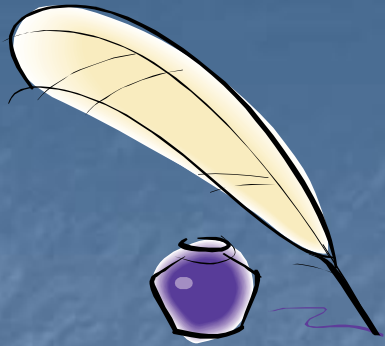


# Stop and Think

Look back to your essential question.

**How does a narrative poem help us understand history?**

Take a few minutes to answer the EQ.  
Think about what we have discussed so far and add specific details for support.



## Essential Question #2

**EQ: Why should a reader paraphrase a narrative?**

Re-read the information about paraphrasing from your two-column notes.

# Assignment

Based on our discussion of narrative poetry, write a short composition (minimum of 8 sentences) explaining how Paul Revere's ride affected our nation and explain why he is considered an American patriot.

