Shays’ Rebellion was a series of violent attacks on courthouses and other government properties in Massachusetts, beginning in 1786, which led to a full-blown military confrontation in 1787. The rebels were mostly ex-Revolutionary War soldiers turned farmers who opposed state economic policies causing poverty and property foreclosures. The rebellion was named after Daniel Shays, a farmer and former soldier who fought at Bunker Hill and was one of several leaders of the insurrection. - Start at 3:31 – Stop at 41:37

**Task: As you watch the video answer the questions that follow**

1. What was the Articles of Confederations? What was one of the few powers of the government created by this document?

2. Who was Daniel Shay? What did he do during the American Revolution?

3. What was debtors prison and why were some famers being sent to these prisons? What solution does Shay propose to stop farmers from going to these prisons?

4. How does Shay and his followers try to stop the foreclosures and debtor prisons?

5. How does Samuel Adams react to the Shaysites? What laws are put in place in response to the Rebellion?

6. How did George Washington respond to the Rebellion?

7. How does Boston raise an army to stand against the farmers?

8. What ends the Rebellion? What happens to Daniel Shay?

9.What is the impact of Shay’s Rebellion?