





WHAT EXACTLY IS THE **WOW** FACTOR?

It's a special quality tucked down deep inside you, which comes out when a problem needs solving. It might come from love, courage, or perseverance. Whatever inspires it, it is the part of you that says, "Watch Out World! I can deal with this."

In this book, you will meet six strong, determined, independent women of America's Revolutionary period—among them an extraordinary schoolteacher; an enslaved woman who went to court and won her freedom; a clever mother who took on six Redcoats on her own; an Oneida maiden who braved a blizzard to save Washington's troops at Valley Forge; a sixteenyear-old girl trapped in a fort under siege; and even a president's wife, hauling important documents from the burning White House—all of whom found their WOW factors within a few years of each other!

Who knows? As you explore their stories, you might just discover your own WOW factor!

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