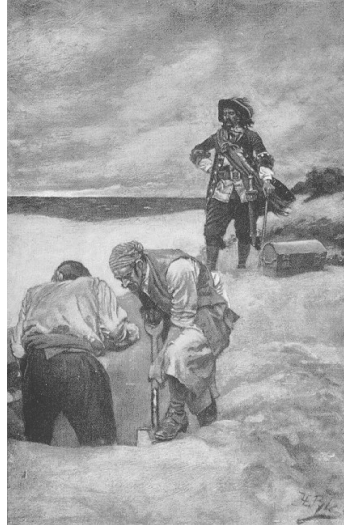


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Common Sense Activities
for Treasure Seekers

Thomas Paine wrote *Common Sense* to persuade colonists they needed to separate from Great Britain, declare their independence from the King, and become “Americans.”



Review **the adapted *Common Sense***. Can you find examples where Thomas Paine used these seven (7) persuasive elements?

1. Appeals to logic
2. Appeals to emotion
3. Appeals to reason
4. Appeals to a higher cause or purpose
5. Uses comparisons
6. Exaggerates
7. States opinion as fact

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