

**Benchmark: History 2**

**Caesar Rodney Jr. was a famous patriot during the Revolutionary War. His father, Caesar Rodney Sr. wrote this account in his diary:**

**When I was about 13 years old I went to school 3 muneths but went no more for two years at which time I had forgot all I had learnt before then I went 4 mouneths tell I Could Read Prettey Well in the bible and write a Littel.**

**Brief Constructed Response Prompt:** This primary source gives you some information about the life and education of Caesar Rodney. How has education changed since Caesar Rodney was a student? Explain your answer.

**Desired Response(s):**

School was not mandatory in colonial times.  
Students did not attend school for 10 months a year.  
Students could attend school for portions of the year.

Accept other reasonable responses.

**Rubric**

- 2** = This response gives a valid change with an accurate and relevant explanation.  
**1** = This response gives a valid change with an inaccurate, irrelevant, or no explanation.  
**0** = inaccurate or no response