




## Lending a Hand

Foreign rebels, revolutionaries, and freedom fighters

	<b>Name</b>	Marquis de Lafayette
	<b>Nationality</b>	French
	<b>Assisted</b>	The Thirteen Colonies in the American Revolution from 1777 to 1783
<b>Service</b>	Named major general in Continental Army; convinced French government to send 6,000 men to America; helped force surrender of Lord Charles Cornwallis at Yorktown in 1781.	
<b>Legacy</b>	Known as "the Hero of the Two Worlds"; received the same funeral honors as George Washington in 1834; name given to a street in each of New York City's five boroughs.	

	<b>Name</b>	Lord Byron [page 63]
	<b>Nationality</b>	English
	<b>Assisted</b>	Greeks in their war of independence from the Ottoman Empire from 1823 to 1824
<b>Service</b>	Wrote in <i>Don Juan</i> , "I dream'd that Greece might still be free"; elected to London Greek Committee; financed a Greek fleet and 500 troops using his own money.	
<b>Legacy</b>	Died of fever in Missolonghi; statue of Hellas with Byron stands in the National Garden in Athens.	

	<b>Name</b>	Jules Brunet
	<b>Nationality</b>	French
	<b>Assisted</b>	Tokugawa shogunate in Boshin War against imperial forces from 1868 to 1869
<b>Service</b>	Stayed in Japan to help rebellion against new emperor Meiji after all other French troops had been withdrawn; helped to found short-lived Ezo Republic.	
<b>Legacy</b>	Deserted rebels before battle of Hakodate; returned to France and became a general; <i>The Last Samurai</i> , starring Tom Cruise, said to be inspired by Brunet.	

	<b>Name</b>	John Reed [page 207]
	<b>Nationality</b>	American
	<b>Assisted</b>	Bolsheviks in the October Revolution in 1917
<b>Service</b>	Worked as a translator for the People's Commissariat for Foreign Affairs; patrolled offices alongside Red Guard; Trotsky offered him appointment as Soviet consul in New York.	
<b>Legacy</b>	Recorded Lenin's rise in <i>Ten Days That Shook the World</i> ; only Westerner whose full body is buried in the Kremlin Wall Necropolis.	

	<b>Name</b>	Rosa Luxemburg [page 116]
	<b>Nationality</b>	Polish
	<b>Assisted</b>	Spartacist Uprising in Berlin in January 1919
<b>Service</b>	After imprisonment for criticizing German involvement in World War I, cofounded socialist Spartacus League; wrote editorials and delivered speeches that helped to spur insurrection.	
<b>Legacy</b>	Put in a car by soldiers and assassinated; a memorial now marks where her body was thrown into canal; Bertolt Brecht wrote that Luxemburg "told the poor what life is about/And so the rich have rubbed her out."	

	<b>Name</b>	Che Guevara [page 120]
	<b>Nationality</b>	Argentine
	<b>Assisted</b>	Fidel Castro in Cuban Revolution from 1956 to 1959
<b>Service</b>	Led guerrilla forces in Cuban mountains for two years; helped to create underground radio station; became president of national bank and minister of industry in postrevolution government.	
<b>Legacy</b>	Multistory portrait at Plaza de la Revolución in Havana with his saying, "Until Victory, Forever"; because of iconic photograph's use, the <i>Guardian</i> called his the "face that launched a thousand T-shirts."	