All his life Sam Houston liked ________________ do things in a big way ________________.

not at all. But when he ________________ ten and eleven and twelve years ________________, there
was ________________ from ________________ to ________________.

was nothing very big going _________________. The last battle of the American Revolution
was ________________ been over and done with twelve ________________ before he’d even been born
was ever had sheep on years

(He’d ________________ born on March 2, 1793). Life had ________________ down to a day-in,
gone been affair who lived settled
day- ________________ affair except perhaps for those people who lived in the West.
beside real out

______________ Sam didn’t. He lived in Virginia ________________ his mother, his four older
But As All new on with
brothers, ________________ younger brother, and his three little _________________. His father, who
our his her trees don’t sisters
was in the ________________ , was sometimes at home but most ________________ he was not.
family know militia jumps vat times

Of course Sam ________________ have gone to school, but he ________________ no sense
knew could do saw became nice
in that. He could ________________ read and he didn’t like to ________________ told how to hold
already might of see word be
his pen ________________ where to put his margins and ________________ foolishness. Besides,
is and but with none such
who ever heard of ________________ big happening in a schoolroom? Instead ________________
void ever anything he it house
pretended to do big things. Sometimes ________________ took down his father’s second best
it he song
______________ and pretended to be a Revolutionary ________________ , slashing down
know thing sword school to soldier
Redcoats. Sometimes he whittled. ________________ away at a soft piece of ________________ ,
Chipping Hearing In margin of pine
he let his mind go loose ________________ heroic. Most often he read hero ________________.
but and as stories pictures do

His favorite hero was a Roman, Caius Marius, ________________ started out as an ordinary boy
what is who
______________ grew up to be a famous _________________. Sam especially liked the picture in
but and grow house general down

_____________ hero book of Marius when he’d ____________ exiled from Rome by his
his it hold gone help been

enemies.