

# THE THIRTEEN COLONIES

- C. In 1754, Virginia sent a militia to a French fort near Ohio River Valley led by a young 21 year old Virginian...
- George Washington.





D. Benjamin Franklin suggested to the colonists that they form a “union” to coordinate war efforts.



- E. In 1756, The British and French seek allies to aid them in war.
- 1. British Allies - Iroquois, Cherokee, and the 13 Colonies.
- 2. French Allies - Hurons, Ottawa, Shawnee, and Algonquins Indian tribes.





F. Also in 1756, War spreads to Europe. This is known as the 7 Years War.

- F. The tide of the war turns. (1757-1758)

- 1. William Pitt poured money and troops into the war to aid the British.





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2. Britain borrows money, and gets into huge debt to fund the remainder of the war.
- G. The war ended at the Battle of Quebec with the British defeating the French.
1. September 13, 1759.
  2. This victory of the British ended the war.



- H. The Treaty of Paris of 1763 - ended the French and Indian War/Seven Years' War between Great Britain and France





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1. France gave up all its territories in mainland North America.
  - a. The British gained control of Canada.
  - b. France gave Louisiana to Spain, and Spain had to give Florida to Britain.





- 2. Treaty of Paris for Britain - meant that they now had colonial and maritime supremacy.



- 3. It also strengthened the 13 colonies by removing their European rivals to the north and south of them





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4. The Treaty of Paris primarily benefited Great Britain and bred resentment on the part of the French and Spanish and spurred France to later seek revenge against Britain.

Events leading up to the Revolutionary War.....



• I. A series of 6 Acts led to the beginning of the end of British rule in America...



- 1. Sugar Act - 1764
- 2. Currency Act - 1751 & 1764
- 3. Stamp Act - 1765
- 4. Quartering Act - 1765
- 5. Townshend Acts - 1767
- 6. Tea Act - 1773





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J. Boston Massacre - March 5, 1770

1. Due to the need to enforce British Acts, there were 4,000 British soldiers stationed in Boston.
2. A colonist and a British Soldier had an altercation which then led to shots being fired.
3. 5 unarmed colonists were killed.

