The French and Indian War



Ch. 5 Lesson 3

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Look at the map on page 134. How many countries claimed North American territory?

Before the war which country appears to be the biggest threat to British colonist? After?



France's Colonies in America

- During the 1600s, French explorers begin claiming land in America for France.
- Some of France's larger cities were Quebec, Montreal and New France.
- ➤ By the late 1700s, France had roughly 80,000 settlers living America.
- France's colonial economy is based on fur trading.

French-English Rivalry

- As England's colonies over the world began to grow, so did their power.
- England had many enemies
- Half of the first half of the eighteenth century
 England has been at war with either France or
 Spain
- France and England went to war in Europe in 1689
 - Seven Years War





Native American Alliances

- Fur trading industry really popular throughout Europe and the America
- Fur trading created economic and military alliances between N.A. & Europeans.
- Iroquois had an economic alliance with the English.
- The Huron & Algonquin had an economic and military alliance with the French.



Trouble in America

- Trouble in America
 - Iroquois ran out of beavers to trade with the English colonist
 - Decided to invade the land of the Algonquin in order to capture more beavers.
 - English fur traders immediately began moving into French territory – Ohio River Valley

War Erupts



- Soon England began planning to set up colonies in this region.
- To protect this region, France built forts and destroyed the English village, Pickawillany.
- France took over Pickawillany and built a fort.
- Led by George Washington, England sent a small group of soldiers to tell the French to leave.
- Of course, the French refuses!
- In retaliation, the British will build Fort Duquesne.

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- France immediately sets out to attack Fort Duquesne. They're successful.
- The British will build another Fort, Fort Necessity.
- France attacks and Washington is forced to surrender Fort Necessity.
- This marked the beginning of the F&I War

Albany Plan

- After several major losses, English colonists realizes they cannot win this war alone.
- Virginia ask the Iroquois nation to help fight. They refuse!
- Ben Franklin introduces the Albany Plan of Union to unite the 13 colonies to fight against the French.
- June 1754

- 24 Delegates from 7 colonies
- Benjamin Franklin –
 Pennsylvania
- Thomas Hutchinson –
 Massachusetts
- Albany Plan of Union
 - Send representatives to Grand Council
 - Collect taxes
 - Raise armies
 - Make treaties
 - New Settlements

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- Albany plan was rejected by every colony
- England later sent General Edward Braddock along with 2000 soldiers to help the colonist fight.
- Braddock teams up with Washington to retake Fort Duquesne.
- Braddock and Washington are ambushed by French soldiers.
 - 976 English soldiers killed
 - Braddock is killed
 - 22 year old Washington escapes without injury.



Turning Point

- Under the new secretary of state, William Pitt, England was able reorganize the troops and seize several French forts.
- England decided to attack the capital New France, Quebec.
- Difficult task because Quebec sits upon a cliff above the St. Lawrence River.
- After finding a secret entrance into the city, the British annihilated the French.
- Later that year, the British were able to capture the 2nd largest city, Montreal.



Treaty of Paris



- Treaty to end the 7 Years
 War in Europe and the F
 & I War.
- England given all land in North America up to the Mississippi River.
- Spain was given the New Orleans territory.
- England was given Florida
- France lost all land in America.





Pontiac's Rebellion



- Native Americans upset that they didn't receive promises from the French.
- Didn't like the English.
- Decided to attacked and destroyed every British fort west of the Appalachian.
- To stop the attacks, English officials invited the leaders of the Rebellion to a peace meeting.
- As a gift, the leaders were given gifts Blankets.
- Unfortunately, the blankets were infected with smallpox. Killed millions of N.A.



Proclamation of 1763

- Pontiac's Rebellion showed England the potential for more wars.
- We can't afford to keep fighting Native Americans.
- England decides that no one should settle in lands west of the Appalachian Mountains.
- Keep 10,000 soldiers in colonies to make sure no one crosses the line
- Upset colonist
 - What about the beavers?
 - What about those already over there
 - Didn't we just have this huge war so that we can fight over here, but now you're saying NO.