

The French and Indian War

The French and Indian War took place in the American Colonies from 1754 to 1763. The war got its name because the French were fighting the British, and both sides were allied with Native American Indian tribes.

The French and Indian War (fought in North America) was part of a larger conflict called the Seven Years war, which was fought by many countries throughout the world. It began when the westward expansion of the American colonies began to cause conflict with the French.

The war ended when the Treaty of Paris was signed on February 10th, 1763. France gave up all of the territory it had held in North America, and Britain received all the land east of the Mississippi River. Spain received all the land to the west of the Mississippi.

The French and Indian War played a major role in the American Revolution. Britain spent a lot of money fighting the war, and when it was over, they began taxing the American colonies in order to pay for it. Since they fought the war to protect the interests of the colonies, they thought this was fair. But the American colonists had no representation in the British government, so they did not feel they ought to be taxed. The French and Indian War was also the first time they had come together against a common enemy. It left with them both a colonial militia and a new confidence that they would later bring to bear in the American Revolution.

Directions: Click on the box in front of the correct answer.

1. The French and Indian War got its name because:

- ☐ A. the French were fighting the Indians
- ☐ B. the British were fighting the Indians
- ☐ C. the French and British both had Native American allies

2. Which statement about the French and Indian War is true?

- ☐ A. it was part of the American Revolution
- ☐ B. it was part of the war of 1812
- ☐ C. it was part of the Seven Year's War

3. The war ended when the _____ was signed.

- ☐ A. Treaty of Paris
- ☐ B. Treaty of Jasonville Glen
- ☐ C. Treaty of Ohio

4. Which of the following causes of the American Revolution was a direct result of the French and Indian War?

- ☐ A. the American Colonial militia
- ☐ B. taxation by the British without representation for the American Colonists
- ☐ C. the American Colonists came together against a common enemy