

THE 3 SOUNDS OF "ED"

Click to listen to the **sight words** then say them.

encouraged	arrived	persuaded	agreed
landed	resulted	dominated	celebrated
commenced	noted	consisted	started
mocked	developed	extended	

Read the following passage about the French, who were the second group of Europeans to come to Trinidad.

In 1783, French planters were **encouraged** to settle in Trinidad under a law by the King of Spain. Philippe Roume de Saint-Laurent was one of the first French planters who **arrived**. He **persuaded** other French planters from islands such as Grenada, Martinique and Guadeloupe to come to Trinidad; they **agreed** and brought slaves with them. More slaves **landed** directly from Africa in the 1790s, and this **resulted** in Trinidad becoming a slave colony. Cotton, coffee and sugar cultivation began on plantations, but sugar **dominated** by the end of the century.

Carnival in Trinidad and Tobago is **celebrated** before the season of the Lent **commenced**. From 1783 for half a century, not only was French the main language spoken on the island, but the French **developed** their Carnival, which was **noted** to be a season of merry and elegant festivities which **extended** from Christmas to Ash Wednesday. These festivities **consisted** of dinners, balls, concerts and hunting parties.

The Africans **started** to have their own form of 'Carnival' from 1833 after the Emancipation Bill was passed, in which they **mocked** their former owners.

Answer the questions based on the passage above.

1. In what year were the French encouraged to settle in Trinidad?
2. Who was one of the first French Planters to migrate to Trinidad?
3. Of the three crops planted, which one brought the most revenue (money)?

4. How did the island become a slave colony?
5. Who started Carnival, the French of the Africans?
6. Apart from Carnival how do we know that the French had a great influence on Trinidad?