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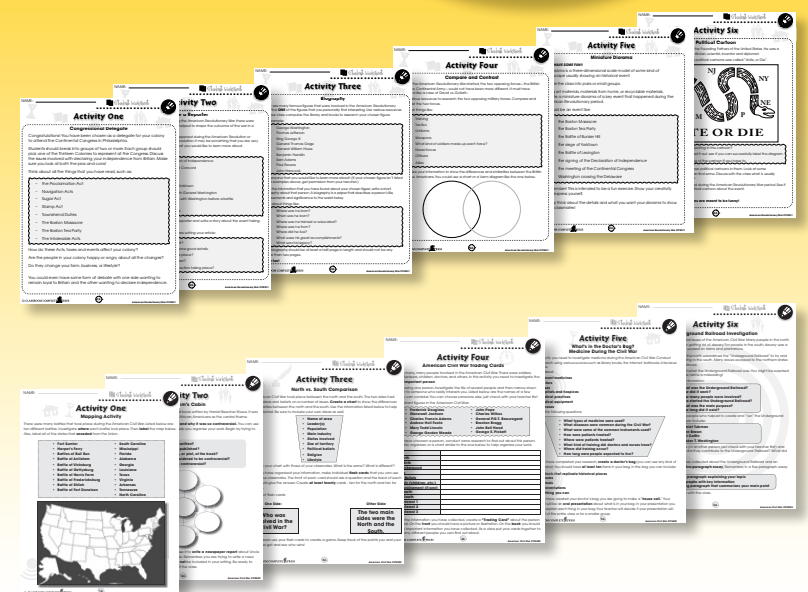
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The Thirteen Colonies



1. Match the word on the left to its meaning on the right.

1	war	a fee charged by a government on a product, income or activity	A
2	tax	the commercial exchange (buying and selling on domestic or international markets) of goods and services	B
3	acts	the waging of armed conflict against an enemy	C
4	trade	possessing, or inhabiting a colony or colonies	D
5	colonial	to regulate one's behavior in accordance with advice or information	E

2. To the right is a map of North America. Color on the map where you think that the Thirteen Colonies were and explain your choice.



3. Why do you think the first settlers came to North America?

4. Define the word PARLIAMENT in your own words. Then, use a dictionary to look up the word and compare your definition with the one found in the dictionary.



The Thirteen Colonies



The Thirteen Colonies were found along the eastern coast of North America. The colonies were founded by British settlers in the 17th century. They set up these colonies, or outposts, all along the east coast. The Thirteen Colonies were made up of thirteen states. Each state had its own colonial government. They were ruled by Britain. Their leader's name was King George III. He had a Royal Council that helped him. Britain also had a parliament that helped pass laws.



The Thirteen Colonies

The British people who settled in North America went there for many different reasons. Some people went for religious reasons. They wanted to worship freely in their own way. Some settlers went to farm or make their own fortunes. Some went just for the adventure. As the Thirteen Colonies grew, Britain tried to keep tight control over the goods and the trade that came out of the colonies. In the 1600s, Britain passed many laws called the Navigation Acts. These Acts made sure all goods from the colonies were carried only on British ships. The British ships had to go to Britain first. Then, the goods went to other countries for trade.

STOP What were the Navigation Acts and why were they passed?

Things got hard in North America after Britain and France went to war in Europe. When Britain and France went to war, that meant the colonies were also at war. The war between the British colonies and the French colonies in North America was called the French and Indian War. It lasted from 1756 to 1763 and was known as the Seven Years War. The war involved British and colonial troops fighting together against the French. France was defeated and the Treaty of Paris was signed in 1763. Britain was now in control of huge new lands in North America. The new lands included Canada and all the land East of the Mississippi River. The Thirteen Colonies fought and co-operated together to defeat their old enemy France. A new feeling began to grow in the colonies. Maybe the Thirteen Colonies did not need to rely so much on Britain. There were also wide open new lands ready to move into. There was a lot of excitement and hope about the colonies growing. The new lands would satisfy many needs. As the population grew quickly, there began shortages of available farm land.

For Britain, the war had cost a lot of money. They now had a huge debt. The new lands meant new responsibilities. It also brought new problems and expenses. The huge debt and more spending meant more taxes. Britain felt that the colonies needed to pay their share. The result of all these problems and more taxes started the colonies down the road to war.



The Thirteen Colonies



1. Complete each sentence with a word from the list.

seven North America	King George III 1763	East Britain
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- The Thirteen Colonies are found in _____.
- The French and Indian War lasted _____ years.
- The new land included all the land _____ of the Mississippi River.
- Britain was ruled by _____.
- The Treaty of Paris was signed in _____.
- After 1763, _____ controlled the new lands.

2. Circle the word True if the statement is true. Circle the word False if it is false.

- The Thirteen Colonies were founded in the 17th century.
TRUE FALSE
- The Thirteen Colonies were made up of 52 States.
TRUE FALSE
- Some British people went to the Thirteen Colonies for religious reasons.
TRUE FALSE
- Britain tried to keep tight control over the goods and the trade that came out of the colonies.
TRUE FALSE
- In the 1700s Britain passed the Navigation Acts.
TRUE FALSE
- When Britain and France went to war, the Thirteen Colonies were not at war and continued to build their new land.
TRUE FALSE
- The Treaty of Paris was signed in 1763.
TRUE FALSE
- The population of the Thirteen Colonies grew very slowly.
TRUE FALSE



The Thirteen Colonies



Answer the following questions in complete sentences.

- Name three reasons why the settlers might have moved to the Thirteen Colonies.

- What were the Navigation Acts? Why did Britain pass the Navigation Acts?

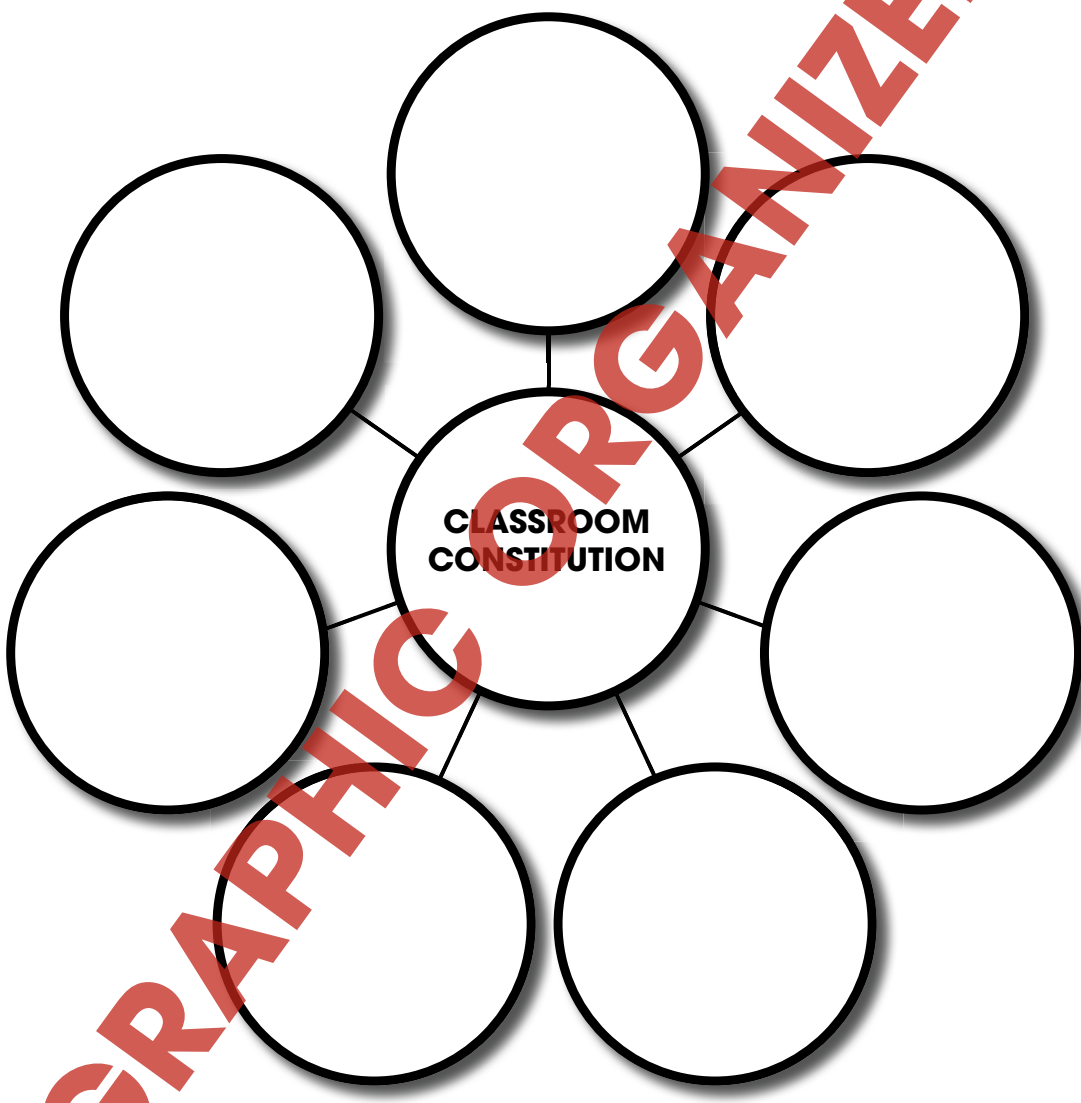
- What two main countries fought in the French and Indian War? What were some of the results of that war in the Colonies?

Research & Application

- Do some research on the internet or at the library about one of the Thirteen Colonies. Write a paragraph about the colony that you have chosen. What was the main town? What was its significance? What were its main crops and exports?



Classroom Constitution



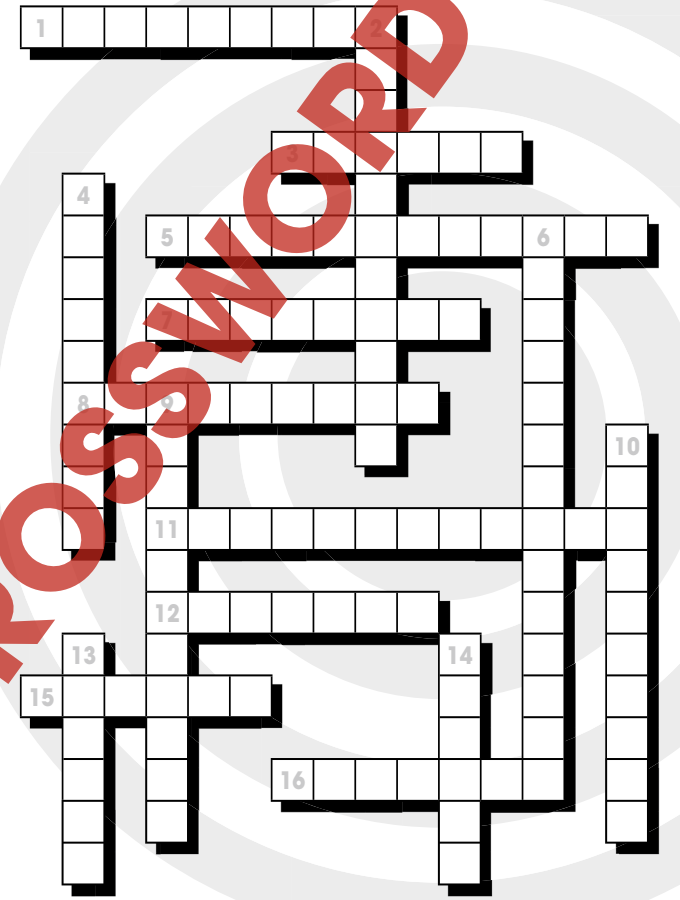
Crossword Puzzle!

**Across**

1. Eager to do something
3. Influence or effect
5. The idea of wanting to end something, especially slavery
7. Having a high order of importance
8. To give something up
11. System or structure
12. Decision or promise to do something
15. To formally withdraw
16. Separated into parts

Down

2. Person who shares the same feelings or concerns
4. To be worn out completely
6. To introduce industry to an area
9. Ability to deal skillfully
10. Believe in the powers and abilities of someone
13. Lowly and sometimes degrading
14. Forgiveness of an offence



Comprehension Quiz

Part A

Circle the word True if the statement is true. Circle the word False if it is false.

- 1) The American Civil War took place between 1861 and 1865.
True False
- 2) The two sides in the war were the north and the south.
True False
- 3) One of the big issues in the war was slavery.
True False
- 4) Jefferson Davis was the U.S. President during the Civil War.
True False
- 5) When Fort Sumter was fired on, the Civil War began.
True False
- 6) The Battle of Fredericksburg is referred to as the "turning point".
True False
- 7) Black soldiers played a vital role in the Civil War.
True False
- 8) After the war there were no changes to the constitution.
True False

Part B

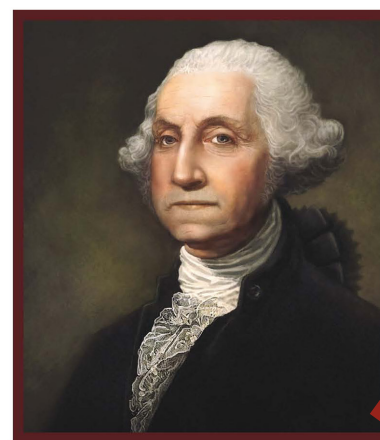
Fill in the blanks with the words provided. There will be six words left over.

abolish	Ulysses S. Grant	Gettysburg Address	Vicksburg
seceded	Emancipation Proclamation	Abraham Lincoln	depended
controversial	battles	Jefferson Davis	Gettysburg
surrendered	assassinated	Manassas	won

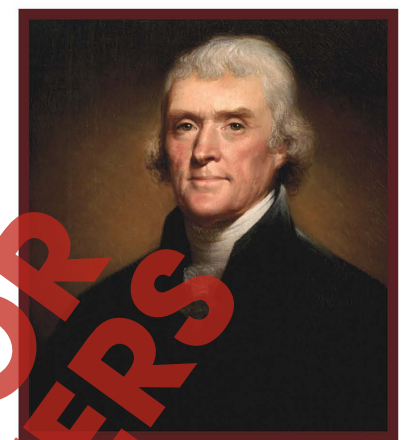
The American Civil War began after some southern states _____ . People in the north wanted to _____ slavery but people in the south _____ on it. In 1861, Fort Sumter was fired on and the Civil War began. In 1863 President _____ issued the _____. This was very _____. There were many _____ in the Civil War. The Battle of _____ has been called the "turning point" of the war. The Civil War ended when General Lee _____ at the Appomattox Court House in 1865. The President had plans to reconstruct the south, but many of his ideas did not succeed because he was _____. The Civil War caused many changes in the United States. Even today, the Civil War is considered one of the most important events in American history.

SUBTOTAL: /18

Key Figures in the War



George Washington



Thomas Jefferson



Thomas Gage



King George III



After You Read

NAME: _____

Background and Causes

3. Explain why people in the south depended on slavery.

4. What were some of the major differences between the northern states and the southern states?

5. President Lincoln wanted to abolish slavery. Is there any law or practice occurring now that you think the president should abolish? Explain your answer.

Research & Application

6. The Civil War is one of the most important events in American history. **Interview three different people** from three different age groups (a friend, a parent, etc.). Find out what they know about the war. Below are some questions you could ask. Record the answers so that you can share your findings with the class.

- When was the Civil War? • How did you learn about it? • Who was involved?
- Who won? • What were the major issues? • What changed in the end?
- What do you want to know about the Civil War?

7. The word "**abolitionism**" can be hard to understand. Do some more research to find out what the word means. What is the root word? How can the word be used? **Create a poster** to show what the word means and how it can be used. Be ready to share your poster with the class.

8. Many countries allowed slavery for many years. Do some research to find out the **origins of slavery**. When and where did it start? Why did slavery occur? What was the purpose? Who was involved? Create a display to show your research results. Decide with your teacher if you will create a poster, pamphlet, PowerPoint presentation, backboard display, essay, etc. Choose a presentation method that you have not tried before.

3.

Possible answer: Slaves worked on farms and plantations which were the main industries in the south

4.

North: industrialized, more immigrants, abolitionists
South: smaller population, agriculture

5.

Answers will vary

6.

Answers will vary

7.

Answers will vary based on resource used

8.

Answers will vary based on resource used

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1.

undistinguished - E

ambitious - G

surrender - A

assassinated - J

regiment - C

bankruptcy - L

memoirs - K

demerit - I

plantation - H

martyr - D

pardon - F

quash - B

2.

Answers will vary

3.

Answers will vary

43

Answers will vary

45

1.

a) B

b) A

c) E

d) B

e) C

f) D

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2.

Answers will vary

3.

Answers will vary

4.

Answers will vary

5.

Answers will vary based on resource used

6.

Answers will vary

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