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French and Indian War Guiding Questions Handout

View each of the introductory video clips and answer each question.

INTRODUCTION:

VIDEO CLIP: Colonization and the Causes of the French and Indian War (5:51)

- How was the world growing more interconnected in the 1700s?
- How did the European powers' search for wealth cause tensions in North America?
- Describe how limitations in mapping and the geographic knowledge of North America led to French and Indian War.
- Why was colonization so important to European powers? How did this contribute to tensions in North America?

VIDEO CLIP: The French and Indian War and the Importance of Fort Pitt (4:19)

• Why was Fort Pitt so important to both Britain and France?

VIDEO CLIP: The Beginnings of the French and Indian War (1:16)

- How did the French and Indian War start?
- What was George Washington's mission at Fort Pitt?

EXPLORATION:

VIDEO CLIP: French and Indian War Barracks (3:49)

- Where did most of the fighting occur during the French and Indian War?
- Why were the barracks built? When were they used?
- Describe the living quarters for enlisted soldiers.
- How were living conditions different for enlisted soldiers and officers?

VIDEO CLIP: Native Americans and the French and Indian War (4:32)

- What is fur trading? Why was it so important for the British colonies to regulate this trade?
- Describe the alliances involved in the French and Indian War.



- Explain the tensions that led to the French and Indian War.
- Why might the French and Indian War be sometimes referred to as a "world war?" What is the other name for this war?
- What was the result of the French and Indian War? How were the American Indians impacted by this?
- Describe events that occurred during Pontiac's War.

VIDEO CLIP: Military Tactics During the French and Indian War (2:16)

- How did Braddock's defeat at the Battle of Monongahela illustrate the differences between conventional and unconventional warfare?
- How did the discipline of the British redcoats at the Battle of Monongahela impact how the colonists viewed the British army and colonial soldiers?
- What is meant by a "hybrid army?" Why might this be effective when fighting a conventional army?

VIDEO CLIP: The French and Indian War and the American Revolution (4:56)

- Describe the groups fighting on each side during the French and Indian War. What role did the American colonists serve during the war.
- How did the French and Indian War expose the differences between British and colonial citizens?
- Describe the financial cost that Britain faced following their victory in the French and Indian War.
- How did the Proclamation Line of 1763 impact the colonists? Why did the Britain issue this proclamation?
- How did the French and Indian War contribute to American resentment towards Great Britain?

VIDEO CLIP: British Perspectives of The French and Indian War (4:23)

- Who was George III?
- Why was the French and Indian War considered a great victory for Great Britain?
- Explain why the French and Indian War (Seven Years' War) was called a world war?
- How did the French and Indian War expand the British Empire?
- What were the problems with this expansion of the British Empire? How did Great Britain respond to this?