

European Nations Settle North America





The French

- New France
 - 1608
 - Samuel Champlain
 - Founds Quebec
 - Established for fur trade
 - No large colonies
 - Mostly single men buying, selling, and trapping beaver
 - Also Catholic priests trying to convert the Natives



The English

- First attempt: Roanoke Island, 1585
 - Failure
- Jamestown
 - Named after King James I
 - 1607
 - Coast of Virginia
 - Too interested in gold than food
 - 7 of 10 died in first few years



The English

- Plymouth Bay
 - Pilgrims
 - Super strict separatists
 - Seek religious freedom
- Massachusetts Bay
 - Puritans
 - Want to build a model community and purify the Anglican Church
 - Seek religious freedom



The Dutch

- New Netherland
 - 1609
 - Henry Hudson- looking for a sea route to Asia (failed)
 - Hudson River, Hudson Bay, Hudson Strait
 - Established for fur trade
 - Welcomed a variety of people to attract colonists
 - 1664, the English drive out the Dutch
 - Re-name the colony New York
 - By 1750, 1.2 million English live in the 13 colonies







Before



Present

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England Battles France

- With the Dutch defeated, the French and English remain
- The French and Indian War (1754-1763)
 - French and Native Americans vs. British and Native Americans
 - Fighting in Europe as well
 - Called the Seven Years War
 - French surrender
 - British become the dominant power in North America!!!

Prewar Boundaries 1754

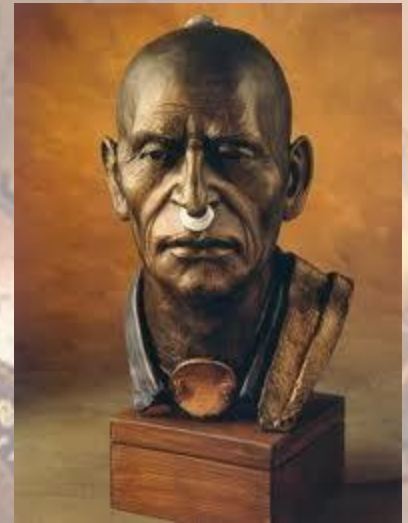
Postwar Boundaries 1763



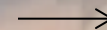
Native American Response

- Most Native Americans were allies with the French
 - English greedy for land, see natives as uncivilized
- Conflicts
 - 1622 Powhatan tribe vs. Jamestown settlers
 - King Philip's War
 - Metacom attacks Massachusetts villages
 - Massacres back and forth till Metacom is killed and his head is paraded around on a pike
- Other killers of the Native Americans
 - Disease!!!!
- Time for a new labor force?

Metacom



Metacom's
head on a pike



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