

American Revolution



Keywords

- America
- Colonies
- Plantations
- England
- Slaves
- King George
- Assembly
- Indians
- French
- George Washington



The Pilgrims

- In 1620 100 people left England as they had been persecuted for their religion.
- They left in a boat called the Mayflower
- They landed around Boston Massachusetts.
- They had a hard time to start with but eventually settled in and became prosperous

Cotton Plantations



- Planters from Britain went to Virginia and got big farms called plantations.
- They planned to grow cotton, tobacco and sugar.



Crushed Cane.

Photo by John Connors



Slaves were captured in Africa and brought to work in the Plantations as the British found it too hot to work in.

Slavery



Scene on a Cotton Plantation.



The Thirteen Colonies

Assembly

- Over the years more planters came.
- Most were British and regarded King George as their King.
- They had an assembly like a parliament. It made laws and raised taxes.



Threats to the Colonists

The Indians and the French

Like in Ireland the Colonists took the land off the Indians. The Indians went into the forests and hills and attacked the colonists



The French

- The French had settled in Canada.
- They sometimes attacked the British.
- A war broke out and Britain won and took over Canada.
- This caused problems.



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