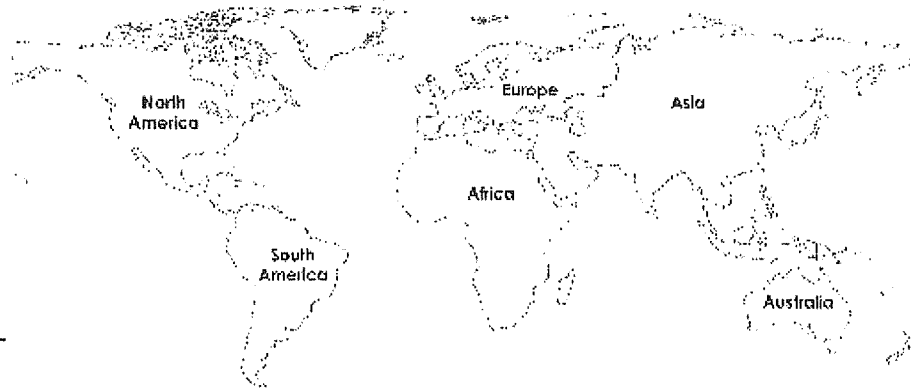
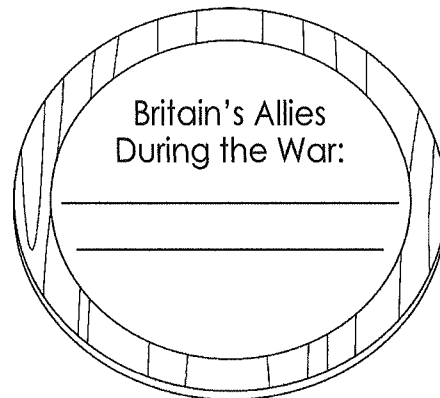
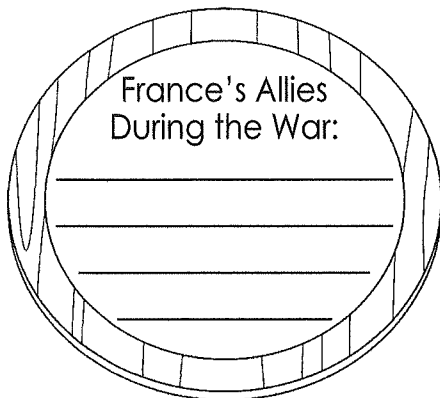


The Background of the Seven Years' War

For centuries, Britain and France had been rivals engaging in many battles and wars. With the age of exploration and expansion, the rivalry increased. The Seven Years' War began in North America and expanded to include areas around the world. Some historians consider this war the first world war.



Where was the Seven Years' War fought?



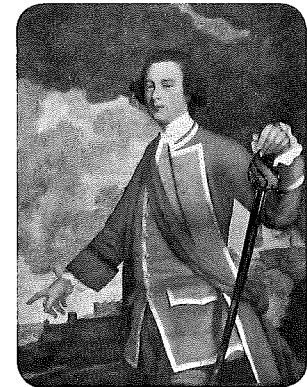
French and British Military in North America



When hostilities broke out in North America, Britain and France sent thousands of military men to fight on a continent that was overwhelmingly a wilderness.

Left: General Montcalm, who led the French forces at the Battle of the Plains of Abraham at Quebec City.

Right: General Wolfe, who led the British forces during the same battle. Both men died during the conflict.



The French and the British, emerging with Spain as European colonial powers, were at war for over a hundred years.

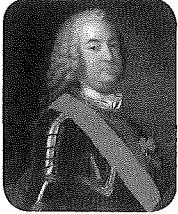
The battles, which began in the late 17th century and continued into the 19th, were sporadic and had shifted the balance of power from time to time. Although conflicts developed in other regions, North America was very important in the final domination of Britain over France.

The Seven Years' War

Historical Figures of the Seven Years' War

The following men played important roles in determining the balance of power in mid-18th century North America. Complete the biographical profiles below.

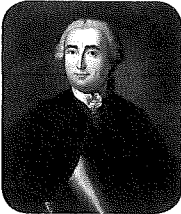
Marquis Pierre de Rigaud de Vaudreuil



Nationality: _____ Position: _____

Part he played during the Seven Years' War: _____

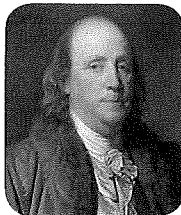
Louis-Joseph de Montcalm



Nationality: _____ Position: _____

Part he played during the Seven Years' War: _____

Benjamin Franklin



Nationality: _____ Position: _____

Part he played during the Seven Years' War: _____

William Pitt



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Part he played during the Seven Years' War: _____

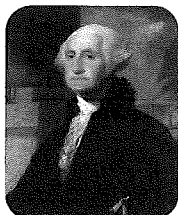
James Wolfe



Nationality: _____ Position: _____

Part he played during the Seven Years' War: _____

George Washington



Nationality: _____ Position: _____

Part he played during the Seven Years' War: _____

The Battle of the Plains of Abraham

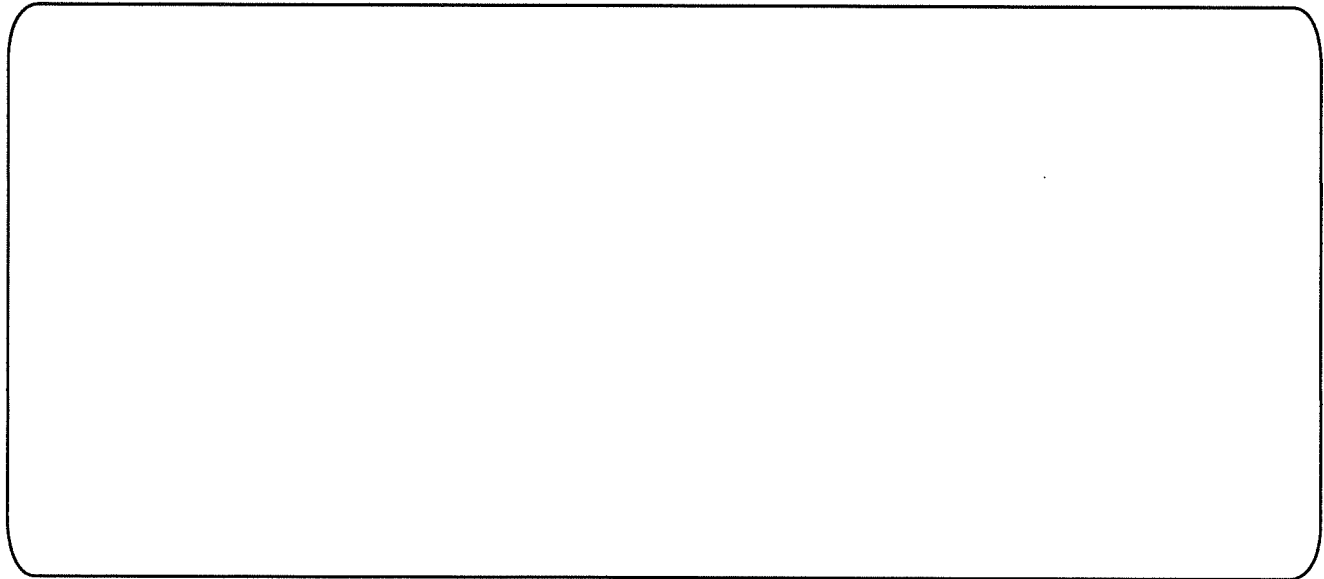
Where and when was the Battle of the Plains of Abraham fought?

Who was the commanding officer for the British? _____

Who was the commanding officer for the French? _____

Describe the events of the Battle of the Plains of Abraham:

Illustrate an event you listed above in the box below (create a scene or a map):



Describe one way that you believe that the battle's result had an impact on the future country of Canada: _____
