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4. The British Army | Far from Home

1. no local support

5. The Continental Army | Motivated to Win

What motivated soldiers in the Continental army?

1. defending the rights described in the Declaration of Independence
2. fighting for a better future for themselves and their families
3. defending their homes

List three groups who lived in the colonies but did not fight the British.

1. Loyalists
2. some slaves
3. many American Indians

6. Different War Strategies

The British used a war strategy of being on the offensive. List an example of an offensive tactic by the British.

1. controlling Boston
2. capturing key cities like New York City
3. defeating the Continental army in face-to-face fighting

The Continental Army used a war strategy of being on the defensive. List an example of a defensive tactic by the Continental army.

1. avoiding facing the British in the open
2. making surprise attacks against British soldiers in the countryside
3. using hidden sharpshooters to pick off British troops, one by one

7. The Continental Army Gain Allies

List at least three ways in which foreign allies helped the Patriots.

1. France supplied arms, loaned money, and later sent troops and ships.
2. Some helped train and lead the Americans.
3. Spain captured a British fort in Florida.
4. Dutch banks loaned Americans money
5. The French navy cut off British ships.
6. French soldiers helped trap the British in Yorktown.

8. The Treaty of Paris, 1783

List two things Great Britain agreed to in the Treaty of Paris.

1. recognized the United States as an independent nation
2. gave the United States a huge amount of land