

- 1664 Colony of Carolina extended south
- 1670 Hudson's Bay Company founded
- 1675-76 King Philip's War: Metacomet, Wampanoag chief, wages war against colonists due to territorial encroachment in Massachusetts, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, and Maine; he is eventually defeated
- 1681 Territory granted in North America to English Quaker William Penn; known as Pennsylvania  
Sieur de La Salle claims Louisiana for France after reaching the mouth of the Mississippi River



# Colonial Wars

## The French and Indian Wars, 1690-1765

### Resources for all ages

Penguin Atlas of North American History to 1870 – Colin McEvedy (*Maps show changes through history*)

### Grades 1-3: Overview of the era

Struggle for a Continent: The French and Indian War, 1689-1763 – Betsy and Giulio Maestro CB

### Grades 1-3: Specific events

Ben Franklin and the Magic Squares – Frank Murphy (*Franklin's childhood fascination with math puzzles*) VP  
Ben Franklin's Glass Armonica – Byrna Stevens (*Invention of harmonica*) B

### Grades 1-3: Biography

What's the Big Idea, Ben Franklin? – Jean Fritz (*Exceptional biography with humorous twist*) E  
Amazing Life of Benjamin Franklin – James Cross Giblin, Michael Dooling (*Accurate and beautiful*) VP  
d'Aulaire's Benjamin Franklin – Ingri, Edgar d'Aulaire (*Narrative story by acclaimed authors, illustrators*) B  
Meet Benjamin Franklin – Maggie Scarf (*Meet Famous Americans, Step-up biography, 2nd-3rd grades*) G  
Young Ben Franklin – Laurence Santrey (*Troll Easy Biography series*) G  
Many Lives of Benjamin Franklin – Alike (*Story of American renaissance man and founding father*) G  
Daniel Boone: Frontier Adventures – Keith Brandt (*Troll Easy Biography series*) G

### Grades 1-3: Historical fiction

Charlie's House – Clyde Robert Bulla (*Indentured servitude, 3rd-4th grade reading level*)  
Matchlock Gun – Walter Edmonds (*Boy protects mother during Indian raid*) N  
Tomahawks and Trombones – Barbara Mitchell (*Set during the French and Indian War*) B  
Mary Jemison: Native American Captive – E. F. Abbott (*Based on a True Story series, 1758 Pennsylvania, 2nd+*)

### Grades 1-3: Culture

If You Lived With the Iroquois – Ellen Levine (*Northeastern tribe, way of life, culture, language, family life*) E  
If You Lived in Williamsburg in Colonial Times – Barbara Brenner (*Way of life and society*)  
If You Lived in Colonial Times – Ann McGovern (*Way of life and society*) G  
Seventh and Walnut: Life in Colonial Philadelphia – James Knight (*City life at end of colonial times, 3rd+*)  
Village: Life in Colonial Times – James Knight (*Village life, Adventures in Colonial America series, 3rd-4th*)

### Grades 4-6: Overview of the era

Story of the Thirteen Colonies – Christine Miller (*1896 storybook narrative updated and expanded*) NNP  
Story of the Thirteen Colonies – Clifford Lindsey Alderman (*English colonies on the Atlantic seaboard*) L  
Colonial Wars: Clashes in the Wilderness – Alden R. Carter (*American Military History series*) G

### Grades 4-6: Specific events

Hearts and Hands: Chronicles of the Awakening Church – Mindy, Brandon Withrow (*18th-19th century*) VP

George Washington: Frontier Colonel – Sterling North (*Washington's campaigns during the frontier wars*) L  
Rogers' Rangers and the French and Indian War – Bradford Smith (*Exciting narrative, frontier warfare*) L  
Evangeline and the Acadians – Robert Tallant (*Resettlement of French after Canada falls to the English*) L  
Westward Adventure: True Stories of Six Pioneers – William O. Steele (*Peril, joy on American frontier*) B  
African-Americans in the Thirteen Colonies – Deborah Kent (*Slave and free; Cornerstones of Freedom series*)

### Grades 4–6: Biography

John Peter Zenger: Free Press Advocate – Karen Westermann (*New York newspaperman, 1697–1746*)  
Jonathan Edwards: Colonial Religious Leader – Norma Jean Lutz (*Great Awakening leader, 1703–1758*)  
Jonathan Edwards, the Great Awakener – Helen Kooiman Hosier (*Heroes of the Faith series, 6th–7th grade*)  
George Whitefield: Clergyman and Scholar – Susan Martins Miller (*Great Awakening leader, 1714–1770*)  
George Whitefield, Pioneering Evangelist – Bruce Fish (*Heroes of the Faith series, 6th–7th grade*)  
Life of Ben Franklin: From Boyhood to Manhood – William M. Thayer (*Accurate, respects Christian faith*) CB  
Ben Franklin, Young Printer – Augusta Stevenson (*Childhood of Famous Americans*)  
Ben and Me – Robert Lawson (*Novelized biography; light-hearted and humorous*) E  
Poor Richard – James Daugherty (*Excellent biography of Ben Franklin by master storyteller*) A  
Ben Franklin of Old Philadelphia – Margaret Cousins (*Excellent Landmark series biography*) L  
B. Franklin, Printer – David A. Adler (*American renaissance man presented in all his facets, excellent*) G  
Benjamin Franklin: Man of Science – Irmengarde Eberle (*Immortals of Science, his scientific investigations*)  
Benjamin Franklin's Adventures with Electricity – Beverly Birch, Robin Corfield (*Recreate experiments*) BF  
Benjamin Franklin – Stephen Krensky (*DK Biography series; museum in a book*)  
Daniel Boone, Young Hunter – Augusta Stevenson (*Childhood of Famous Americans series*) E  
Daniel Boone – John Mason Brown (*Time between the French and Indian War and American Revolution*) L  
Daniel Boone – James Daugherty (*Wonderful biography by acclaimed children's author*) N  
Wilderness Wife – Etta de Gering (*The story Rebecca Boone, wife of Daniel*) B

### Grades 4–6: Historical fiction

Hitty: Her First Hundred Years – Rachel Field (*100 years in the life of a doll in colonial America*) N  
Madeleine Takes Command – Ethel C. Brill (*1690s Canada, girl saves family's fort when Iroquois attack*) BB  
Queen Anne's War – Joann A. Grote (*1710 Boston, American Adventure series #5*) G  
Danger in the Harbor – Joann A. Grote (*Boston during Queen Anne's War, American Adventure series #6*) G  
Tomahawk Border – William O. Steele (*Set in Ft. Christiana, Virginia in 1714*)  
Smallpox Strikes: Cotton Mather's Bold Experiment – Norma Jean Lutz (*Smallpox epidemic in 1721 Boston*) G  
The Secret of the Sealed Room – Bailey MacDonald (*Mystery set against Ben Franklin's boyhood*) S  
Maggie's Choice – Norma Jean Lutz (*Maggie and Great Awakening, 1740s Boston, American Adventure #8*) G  
Calico Bush – Rachel Field (*1743, story of French indentured servant in the colonies*) H  
Wayah of the Real People – William O. Steele (*Indians near Williamsburg, 1752–53*)  
Desperate Journey – Herbert Witten (*12 yr-old orphaned by Indian raid, dangerous Virginia frontier*) BB  
Rescue on the Big Sandy – Herbert Witten (*Sequel to above, danger on the Kentucky frontier*) BB  
Duel in the Wilderness – Karin Clafford Farley (*Maj. George Washington's Ohio mission, 1753–54*) VP  
I am Regina – Sally Keene (*True story of girl kidnapped by Indians, 1755, faith helps her survive captivity*) BF  
Redskin and Colonist – G. A. Henty (*Set in 1754–63 America during the French and Indian War*)  
With Wolfe in Canada: The Winning of a Continent – G. A. Henty (*English general that took Quebec, 1759*)  
Sign of the Beaver – Elizabeth George Speare (*White, Indian boy become friends in colonial New England*) G  
Night Journeys – Avi (*Set in 1760s Pennsylvania, Quaker family*) B  
Blackthorn Winter – Douglas Wilson (*Monroe Family Chronicles 1; Christian faith; piracy in colonial times*) VP  
Susan Creek – Douglas Wilson (*Monroe Family Chronicles 2; Christian faith; the Great Awakening*) VP

### Grades 4–6: Literature

Whistle – Benjamin Franklin (*Wisdom from Ben's Poor Richard's Almanack*)

### Grades 4–6: Culture

Boys and Girls of Colonial Days – Carolyn Bailey, Michael J. McHugh (*True stories of children*) E  
Colonial Children: Source Readers in American History No. 1 – Albert Bushnell Hart (*First-hand accounts*) CB

Shaw's Plantation: The Picture Story of a Colonial Plantation – Edwin Tunis (*Excellent depiction*)  
 Little Book of Early American Crafts and Trades – Peter Stockham (*Reprint of 1807 children's book*) D  
 Colonial Craftsmen and the Beginnings of American Industry 1600-1775 – Edwin Tunis (*Fascinating*)  
 Colonial Living – Edwin Tunis (*Another excellent description of life by accomplished author*) B  
 Tavern at the Ferry – Edwin Tunis (*1687-1787, 100 years along the Delaware River*) B  
 Colonial Days: American Kids in History – David C. King (*1732, book of projects, games, activities, recipes*)  
 Colonial Cookbook – Lucille Recht Penner (*Much, much more than recipes – fascinating!*)  
 Good Land – Patricia Mitchell (*Cookbook based on primary sources, Indian and early colonial foods*) VP  
 Science in Colonial America – Brendan January (*Native American as well as European achievements*)  
 Art of Colonial America – Shirley Glubok (*Illustrated with many examples*)

## Grades 7-9: Overview of the era

Story of the Thirteen Colonies – Christine Miller (*1896 storybook narrative updated*) NNP  
 Struggle for a Continent: The French and Indian Wars – Albert Marrin (*Excellent narrative history*) G  
 France and England in North America Vol. 2 – Francis Parkman (*Frontenac, Montcalm, Wolfe*)

## Grades 7-9: Specific events

Redeemed Captive – John Williams (*Family's harrowing captivity with Indians, French, 1704*) VP  
 Bulletproof George Washington – David Barton (*God's protection during the colonial wars*)  
 Montcalm and Wolfe – Francis Parkman (*The battle for Quebec by acclaimed 19th century historian*)  
 Conspiracy of Pontiac – Francis Parkman (*Acclaimed history of final chapter in French and Indian War*) EL

## Grades 7-9: Biography

A Divine Light: The Spiritual Leadership of Jonathan Edwards – David Vaughan (*Leaders in Action series*) VF  
 Jonathan and Sarah: An Uncommon Union – Edna Gerstner (*Story of Jonathan Edwards' life, from diaries*) VP  
 Forgotten Founding Father: Heroic Legacy of George Whitefield – Stephen Mansfield (*Great Awakening*) VP  
 Molly Bannaky – Alice McGill (*Indentured servant becomes grandmother of Benjamin Banneker; novelized*) G  
 Autobiography – Benjamin Franklin (*The story of his life up to his pre-war stay in London*) W, R  
 Soldier of Virginia – Marjorie Bowen (*Novelized but accurate life of George Washington during Colonial Wars*)  
 Daniel Boone and the Opening of the Ohio Country – Seamus Cavan (*Excellent World Explorers series*)  
 Daniel Boone: His Own Story / Daniel Boone: The Kentucky Rifleman – Daniel Boone, Francis L. Hawkes VP

## Grades 7-9: Historical fiction

Young Puritans in King Philip's War – Mary Prudence Smith (*Set during 1675-76*) S  
 Shadows on the Rock – Willa Cather (*Set in 1697-1713 Quebec*) A  
 Yemassee – William Gilmore Simms (*Set in the early 1700s, Indians in South Carolina*) A  
 Deerslayer – James Fenimore Cooper (*1st Leatherstocking Tale; set in upper New York in 1744*) EL  
 High Wind Rising – Elsie Singmaster (*Set during 1728-55, story of the Six Nations of the Iroquois*) A  
 Debby Barnes, Trader – Constance Lindsay Skinner (*1750s Pennsylvania, 15 yr-old girl settling frontier*) BB  
 Light in the Forest – Conrad Richter (*Pennsylvania boy captured and raised by Indians*) A  
 With Pipe, Paddle, and Song – Elizabeth Yates (*1750s Canada, Indian-French teen and both cultures*) BB  
 Calico Captive – Elizabeth George Speare (*1754, young girl captured by Indians, sold to the French*) G  
 Evangeline – Henry Wadsworth Longfellow (*1755, Acadians' exile forced by British after capture of Canada*) A  
 Last of the Mohicans – James Fenimore Cooper (*2nd Leatherstocking; 1757 New York during the wars*) EL  
 Pathfinder – James Fenimore Cooper (*3rd Leatherstocking; 1759 New York during French & Indian War*) EL  
 Indian Captive: The Story of Mary Jemison – Lois Lenski (*True story; captured in 1758 during the wars*) NH  
 Satanstoe – James Fenimore Cooper (*Travels in New York and Ticonderoga in 1751-58*) A  
 Seats of the Mighty – Sir Gilbert Parker (*Set during the Fall of Quebec in 1759*) A  
 Guns of Thunder – Douglas Bond (*Scots covenanters emigrate to America, French and Indian Wars*) VP  
 Great Valley – Mary Johnston (*Set in 1735-60 Virginia; Scottish Presbyterian minister in North America*) A  
 Virginia Comedians – John Esten Cooke (*Set in 1764 Virginia; a vivid picture of places and events*) A  
 Melitte – Fatima Shaik (*Slave girl in Louisiana during French, Spanish rule, 1765-72, riveting and haunting*)

## Grades 7–9: Literature

Poor Richard's Almanack - Benjamin Franklin (*Published from 1732–57, famous sayings and essays*) A  
Wit and Wisdom from Poor Richard's Almanack - Benjamin Franklin (*Wonderful selections*) D  
Way to Wealth - Benjamin Franklin (*Excellent essay published in 1758; Applewood Books*) A  
Legend of Sleepy Hollow - Washington Irving (*New York legend, local character, culture, and flavor*) A  
Rip Van Winkle - Washington Irving (*Fairy tale set in the Hudson Valley, colonial New York*) A

## Grades 7–9: Culture

Journal of Madam Knight - Sarah Kemble Knight (*Boston–New York horseback journey, 1704–05, insightful*) A  
Slumps, Grunts and Snickerdoodles: What Colonial America Ate - Lila Perl (*Much more than recipes*) B  
Art of Cookery Made Plain and Easy - Hannah Glasse (*Popular 18th century English cookbook used in colonies*)  
Sketches of 18th Century America - Michel Guillame Crevecoeur (*Colonial life*) A

## Grades 10–12: Overview of the era

The Conquest of New France - George M. Wrong (*Yale Chronicles of America series; colonial wars*)  
Colonial Experience, 1607–1774 - Clarence B. Carson (*From a Christian conservative historian*) G  
Crucible of War - Fred Anderson (*Definitive history of the Seven Years' War, 1755–1763; British ascendancy*)  
War That Made America: A Short History of the French and Indian War - Fred Anderson (*Above, edited*)  
The French and Indian War - Captivating History (*Overview of conflict, and aftermath; readable*)

## Grades 10–12: Specific events

Women's Indian Captivity Narratives - Kathryn Zabelle Derounian–Stodola (*10 source accounts of captivity*)  
Guns At the Fork - Walter O'Meara (*Story of the battle of Ft. Duquesne and Braddock's defeat*)

## Grades 10–12: Biography

Jonathan Edwards: A New Biography - Iain Murray (*Famous preacher of the Great Awakening*) VP  
Marriage to a Difficult Man - Elizabeth Dodds (*Jonathan Edwards bio via his wife Sarah Pierrepont*) AG  
George Whitefield: God's Anointed Servant in the Great Revival of the 18th Century - Arnold Dallimore VF  
Benjamin Franklin - Carl Van Doren (*Franklin lived 1706–90, Pulitzer Prize winning biography*) P  
Most Dangerous Man in America: Scenes from the Life of Benjamin Franklin - Catherine Bowen (*Sketches*)  
Life of Daniel Boone - Lyman C. Draper, Ted Franklin Belue (*Authoritative, based on 1850s text*)  
Paths of Glory: The Life and Death of General James Wolfe - Stephen Brumwell (*Wonderful narrative*)

## Grades 10–12: Historical fiction

In the Valley - Harold Frederic (*Set in the Mohawk valley during the French and Indian Wars*) A  
Prospering - Elizabeth George Speare (*Mission to Indians during the French and Indian War; excellent*)  
Northwest Passage - Kenneth Roberts (*Set during the background of the Roger's Rangers*) A

## Grades 10–12: Literature

Treatise on Religious Affections - Jonathan Edwards (*1703–58, great American theologian, preacher*) C  
Sinners in the Hands of an Angry God - Jonathan Edwards (*Great Awakening sermon, 1740–41*) VP  
Justification by Faith Alone - Jonathan Edwards (*Exposition; salvation by faith or works*) VF  
Jonathan Edwards: A Mini-Theology - John Gerstner (*Theology of the Great Awakening preacher*) VF  
Diary - David Brainerd (*Brainerd lived 1718–47, was missionary to the Indians, inspiring diary*) C  
Cato's Letters - John Trenchard, Thomas Gordon (*1720–23, civil, religious liberty*)  
John Woolman's Journal - John Woolman (*1720–72 events of life, American devotional classic*) A, EL  
Writings - Benjamin Franklin, J. A. Leo Lemay, editor (*Includes Autobiography, Poor Richard's Almanack*)

## Grades 10–12: Culture

Genius of Puritanism - Peter Lewis (*Overview of the meaning of Puritanism and their beliefs*) VF

# Timeline of the Colonial Wars

- 1690-97 King William’s War between Britain and France in North America, sparked by European tensions
- 1692 Salem, Massachusetts, witch trials; 150 persons accused; 20 executed
- 1693 College of William and Mary founded in Williamsburg, Virginia
- 1696 Slave trading for profit first engaged upon in the colonies
- 1697 Massachusetts General Court official repentance for witch hysteria; families compensated
- 1700 Massachusetts and New York expel Roman Catholic priests
- 1701 Yale College founded in Connecticut
- 1702-13 Queen Anne’s War between Britain and France in North America, sparked by European war
- 1704 First newspaper published in the colonies, *The Boston News-Letter*
- 1710 First postal system established in the colonies
- 1712 Carolina colony divided into North and South Carolina; Pennsylvania bans import of slaves
- 1718 New Orleans is founded by the French at the mouth of the Mississippi River
- 1728 Danish navigator Vitus Bering explores the Bering Straits, coast of Alaska (1741)
- 1729 Benjamin Franklin, 1706-90, begins publishing the *Pennsylvania Gazette*
- 1731 Benjamin Franklin founds the first American public library in Philadelphia
- 1732 Establishment of the colony of Georgia, first settlers were debtors from English prisons
- 1732-57 Benjamin Franklin publishes *Poor Richard’s Almanack*
- 1734-54 Great Awakening: Jonathan Edwards and George Whitefield, influential preachers
- 1744-48 King George’s War between Britain and France in North America, sparked by European war
- 1754-63 French and Indian War; French and English use Indians to terrorize the other’s territory
- 1755 Braddock’s Defeat: British general, Edward Braddock, does not listen to his Lt. colonel, 23 year-old George Washington, and is mortally wounded by the French on the Ohio frontier
- 1760 English take Quebec under General James Wolfe; George III ascends the English throne
- 1763 Peace of Paris ends war; Britain gains Canada and land east of the Mississippi River from France, except for New Orleans; Britain gains Florida from Spain
- North American Indian uprising against the British led by Pontiac, Ottawa chief, fails
- Proclamation of 1763: prohibits English settlement west of the Appalachian Mountains



## *Overview of* **American History** *from 1620 through the Modern Era*

### Resources for all ages

- Penguin Atlas of North American History to 1870 – Colin McEvedy (*Maps show changes through history*)
- A Time for Freedom – Lynne Cheney (*The most important dates in American history and their meaning*) CB
- Timetables of American History – Laurence Urdang (*Day-by-day timeline of American and World history*) E
- American History: A Visual Encyclopedia – Smithsonian (*Beautiful reference; 4-6 independent reading*) S
- American History in Verse – Burt Stevenson (*Every major event in American history, explorers to WWII*) BF
- Patriot’s Handbook – George Grant (*Documents, speeches, poems, songs, profiles of great Americans*)
- United States of America State-by-State Guide – Millie Miller, Cyndi Nelson (*Illustrated atlas, history, facts*)
- Our 50 States: A Family Adventure Across America – Lynne Cheney (*Landmarks, famous people*) BF
- Dictionary of American Portraits – Hayward and Blanche Cirkor (*Portraits of 4000 important Americans*) D
- Look It Up Book of Presidents – Wyatt Blassingame (*All presidents, brief bios, interesting, little-known facts*)
- Presidents: A Library of Congress Book – Martin W. Sandler (*Beautifully illustrated from the library’s archives*)