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Global Connection Helping the Patriots

One important foreign ally for the Patriots was Bernardo de Gálvez, the governor of Spanish Louisiana. Gálvez arrived in the area in July 1776 and quickly established himself as an important friend of the Patriot cause. Gálvez gave the Americans the advantage on the Mississippi River by opening the port of New Orleans to all Patriot vessels. At the same time he ordered the seizure of all British merchant ships in the area.

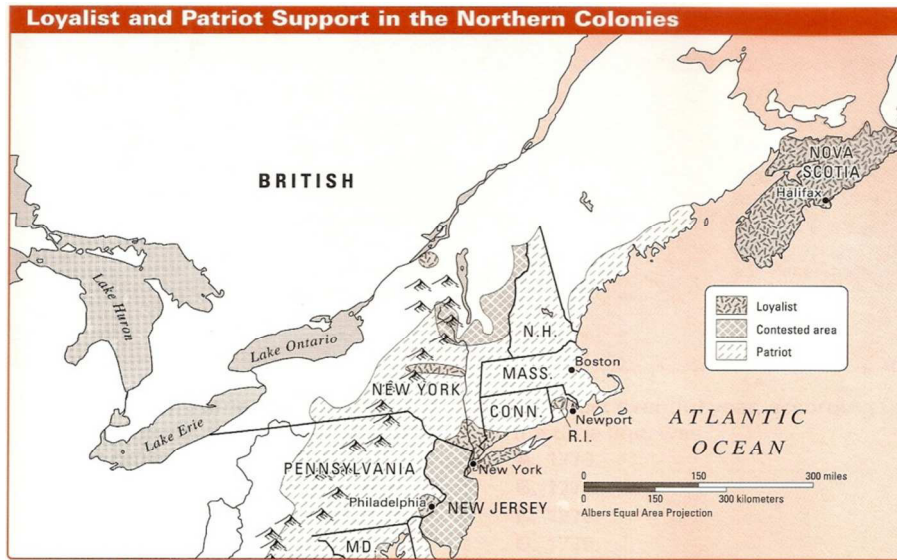
After Spain officially allied with France in 1779, Gálvez led Spanish forces in several successful engagements against British forts located along the Mississippi River and in Florida. Gálvez was able to defeat the British at Baton Rouge and Natchez in 1779, Mobile in 1780, and Pensacola in 1781. Gálvez, who saw it convenient for France and Spain to advance the cause of the American revolutionaries, was among those who drafted the terms of the Peace of Paris (1783) that ended the war. Largely because of his efforts to help the Patriots during the Revolutionary War, after the war Spain retained control of all of Florida, the mouth of the Mississippi River and the Gulf of Mexico. In addition, Galveston, a port city in present-day Texas, was named in honor of Gálvez. In recognition of his work and help to the American cause, George Washington took him to his right in the parade of July 4 and the American Congress cited Gálvez for his aid during the Revolution.



- All of the following are ways that Bernardo de Gálvez helped the Patriot cause EXCEPT
 - Opened the Mississippi River to Patriot vessels
 - Ordered the seizure of British ships
 - Helped the Patriots take Canada from the British
 - Instrumental in drafting the Treaty of Paris ending the Revolutionary War
- How would opening up the Port of New Orleans provide an advantage to the Patriots?
 - Allow the British to get much needed supplies to Canada
 - It would allow much needed supplies to reach the American Army cut off by the British blockade along the Atlantic coast
 - It would force the British to retreat from North America
 - It would allow the Americans to force the Spanish to give up territory in North America
- How was Spain rewarded for aiding the Americans during the Revolutionary War?
 - Spain was given money from France
 - England was forced to pay Spain for losing the war against the colonies
 - Spain regained control of Florida from the British
 - The Americans helped Spain in a war against France
- What was the name of the Texas city that is named after Galvez?
 - Houston
 - Gulfport
 - Galveston
 - Baton Rouge
- What were the names of the places Galvez defeated the British?
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Making Predictions and Timelines

Directions: Examine the following map. Use the map and your knowledge of U.S. history to answer the following multiple choice questions.



1. What could you predict about a New York shoe maker during the American Revolution?
 - a. He might have been a loyalist.
 - b. He undoubtedly supported the Revolution.
 - c. He was a patriot.
 - d. None of the above.
2. How would you predict a Bostonian might have reacted to the coming of the American Revolution?
 - a. He reluctantly joined the Patriots
 - b. He enthusiastically supported England.
 - c. He probably migrated to Canada.
 - d. He probably fought for independence

Timeline: Read the timeline and answer the multiple choice questions below.



3. What does the time line represent?
 - a. The political history of the end of the American Revolution.
 - b. The military history of the early years of the American Revolution.
 - c. The social history of the early years of the American Revolution.
 - d. The intellectual history of the American Revolution.
4. Which event on the timeline does not fit the title of the time line?
 - a. The 1778 Iroquois and loyalist attacks
 - b. The 1777 British occupation of Philadelphia
 - c. The 1776 Cherokee War
 - d. The 1778 alliance with France
5. The least eventful year, according to the time line was
 - a. 1776
 - b. 1777
 - c. 1778
 - d. 1775
6. Which statement is NOT true?
 - a. The British occupied New York City in the same year they evacuated Boston.
 - b. Indians were caught up in the conflict between the British and Americans in at least two years.
 - c. The British withdrew from Philadelphia only a year after taking it.
 - d. The American were not defeated in 1776.