Seeds of Revolution

Part 1: Bacon's Rebellion, The French and Indian War,

Early Discontent

- Bacon's Rebellion
 - 1676 Virginia Governor restricts settlers westward movement to prevent them fighting with Natives
 - Settlers unhappy with restrictions
- Nathanial Bacon leads protest against restrictions, high taxes, and low tobacco prices

Impact of Bacon's Rebellion

- Short term Forced Governor to flee, but revolt fell apart when Bacon died.
 - Led to other small revolts
- Showed colonist's discontent with British rule



Recipe for Disaster



 Growing French and British Empires, add in Native Americans

Growing Pains

- As colonies grew they took up more American Indian lands
 - Led to small raids by Colonists and Native
- French and British both wanted to build a fort at what is not Pittsburg
 - Virginia Governor sends a militia force led by Lt. Colonel George Washington



War Breaks Out

- Called French and Indian War
 - French ally with Native Tribes to try to push back
 English
 - Early French victories
 - War spreads to Europe and other colonies
 - British end up winning







- Official end to French and Indian War
- French Cede lands in North America
 - British get land East of Mississippi
 - Spanish (Britain's ally) get Louisiana

Impact of the French and Indian War

- Great Britain in massive debt
 - Needed to levy taxes to pay for conflict
- Discontent grows

Colonist unhappy about being in "Imperial War"



Redrawn Lines



British acquire all land east of Mississippi River

Restricted Movement

- Proclamation of 1763
 - King George III forbids
 Colonists from moving
 west of Appalachian
 Mountains
 - Intended to prevent another war, protect colonists, and save money
 - Colonists see it as king restricting freedom



