

# THE WAR OF 1812: CAUSES AND OUTCOME

Read the text on page 1 to learn more about the causes and outcomes of the war. Then complete the tables in Parts 1 and 2 below.

## PART 1. Explain each participant's motivations in the War of 1812.

<p><b>GREAT BRITAIN</b></p>	<p>Britain wanted to stop the United States from trading with France. It also wanted to force American sailors to join the British Navy. Finally, the British wanted to protect their territory in Canada from American settlers.</p>
<p><b>NATIVE AMERICAN NATIONS</b></p>	<p>Native American nations wanted to protect their homelands from being taken over by American settlers, particularly in the Northwest Territory.</p>
<p><b>THE UNITED STATES</b></p>	<p>The United States wanted Britain to stop interfering with American trade with France and kidnapping American sailors. American settlers also wanted to expand onto Native and Canadian land. Finally, many people in the United States wanted revenge against the British for providing guns to Tecumseh's army.</p>

## PART 2. Explain what each participant gained or lost from the War of 1812.

<p><b>GREAT BRITAIN</b></p>	<p>Great Britain did not gain or lose any territory from the War of 1812. They successfully defended British Canada from the United States.</p>
<p><b>NATIVE AMERICAN NATIONS</b></p>	<p>The war had terrible consequences for many Native American nations that fought on the British side. Tecumseh was killed, and his alliance to defend Native land in the Northwest Territory from the United States fell apart. The Creek Nation in the South lost a huge amount of land in what is now Georgia and Alabama.</p>
<p><b>THE UNITED STATES</b></p>	<p>Fighting against Great Britain, the United States lost no territory but failed to conquer Canada. Americans did gain national pride from standing up to the British. Fighting against Native nations allied with Britain, the United States gained a huge amount of territory in Georgia, Alabama, and the Northwest Territory.</p>