

Seven Year's War (1756-1763)

A Global Conflict (The First World War?)

Alliances:

Prussia & Great Britain

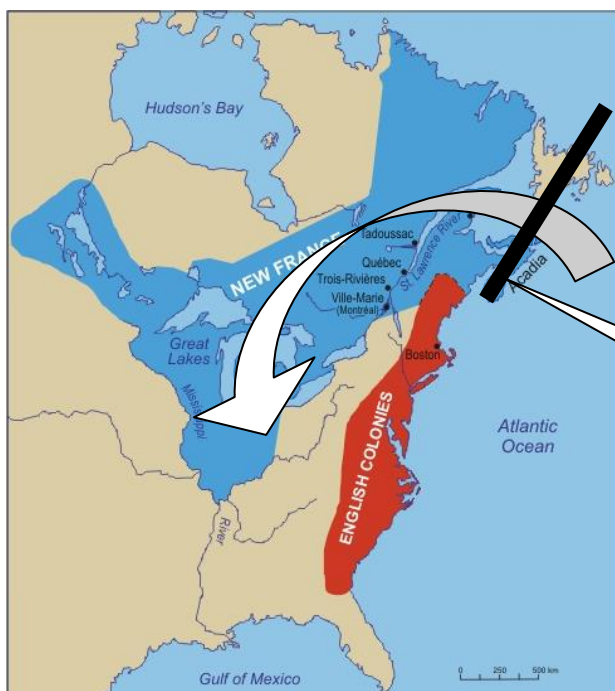
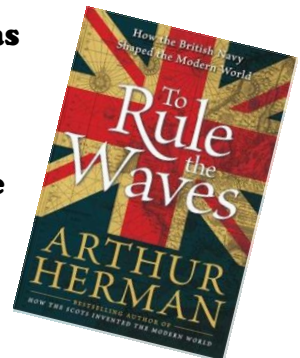
France & Austria (joined by Russia & Sweden)

- **Frederick II (of Prussia) invaded Saxony (an ally of Austria) igniting long-simmering hostilities.**
- **The war crossed the Atlantic as France and Great Britain fought in the “New World.” In North America this conflict was called *The French and Indian Wars*.**

Native Alliances during the French and Indian Wars (Seven Year's War):

British	French
Haudenosaunee Confederacy (in particular the Mohawk)	Remains of the Wendat Anishinaabe (the First Peoples from this area) Ottawa

- **Battles raged in North America, the Caribbean, India, as well as Europe.**
- **Before the break out of the war the British Royal Navy had fully achieved international control of the oceans by 1750. The British controlled the oceans – a position they exploited during this conflict. Read more about the development of the Royal Navy in *To Rule the Waves* by Arthur Herman.**



- **The British Naval Superiority cut off French forces from their overseas colonies. Fortress Louisburg was recaptured by the British, effectively sealing off New France from receiving anymore reinforcements.**
- **The war was a disaster for the French in the New World.**

By using their navy, the English cut off supplies going into New France – they literally began starving it to death.