

British soldiers against American colony

Independence War

The war of independence started in 1775 and finished in 1783

what happened?

In the 1760s, England passed laws that imposed **new taxes** on the colonies and their rights.

This episode became known as the "**Boston tea party**"



next

In 1773, a group of **colonists rebelled** and boarded the British ships in Boston harbor and threw the boxes of tea into the sea to protest the British tax on them

Britain closed the harbor and tightened control over colonies

Then more and more people started to demand independence from Britain

so

The **war broke out** in the town of Lexington in 1775 and lasted about 8 years

American **army** was led by Colonel **George Washington**



On 4 July 1776, representatives from the thirteen colonies met in Philadelphia to **sign a Declaration of Independence**

This declaration is the foundation of American constitution and it says that every single **must** be free and have rights

next

The colonies defeated the British and the **war officially ended** in 1783, by which **England recognised American independence**

after this episode

America was divided in **north and south**

north

south

Northen states were more **developed**

economy

Was based on **trade**

because

The have **ports**

Southen states were **less developed** than northen

economy

Was based on **agriculture**

who works?

Black slaves worked in lands of **cotton and tobacco**



The separation of the south from the north happened because the **southen** states **won't accept the end of slavery**

what happened in south?

so

The eleven **southen** states separate from the Union and **formed their own Confederacy**

The **Civil War** started in 1861 and lasted for four years until the confederacy was defeated

how finished?

what have done the blacks?

Lincoln made **slavery illegal** in the Confederacy in 1863

Black slaves join in the army to have a job

4 million slaves were set **free** by July 1865

The **Civil War** was the most **important episode** in American history



what it resolved?

Putted an **end to slavery**

Decided that the country was not a collection of semi-independent states but **one country**

Even if the condition of slave was abolished **black slaves didn't know where to go**

so

They **stayed** with **white families**

