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The History of Fort at Number Four: Student Guide

1. History Part One

1. Why were waterways important during the Colonial period?
2. How was Fort at Number Four's position a strategic location?
3. Why do you think it was an "arduous trek" to get from established cities in the east to a frontier settlement such as Fort at Number Four?
4. Describe how the French, English and Native Americans were all competing for land in the region of Fort at Number Four.
5. Who do you think had the most right to the land? Explain your answer.

2. History Part Two

1. How were French and English settlements different? How did they view Native Americans differently?
2. What were some games that colonial children played?
3. How are these games different from yours? Are there any similarities?
4. Why do you think the Spafford gristmill and sawmill were important features of the colonial settlement?
5. Why did the inhabitants of Number Four decide to build a Fort?

3. History Part Three

1. What various functions did the Great Chamber serve?
2. Why did Massachusetts remove its soldiers from Fort at Number Four in the fall of 1746?
3. Describe the role that Phineas Stevens played during this time period.
4. How can one individual make such a difference? Do you know anyone who is important in a variety of ways? Explain your answer.
5. How did Charlestown get its name?

4. History Part Four

1. What happened to the Johnson family?
2. How was Fort at Number Four used during the French and Indian war?
3. How do historians learn information about soldiers' lives during this time?
4. Why do you think the differences in attitude, clothing and behavior between colonial militia and British regulars led to a new identity for colonists?
5. How does this New Hampshire example help you understand what was happening throughout the English colonies?

Conclusion

1. When did the French and Indian War end?
2. How do you think United States History would be different if the French had won?
3. How did the French and Indian War help lead to the American Revolution?

