

TREATY OF PARIS WEB TREK

A. INTRODUCTION

Use the web site below to review the history and main features of the important Treaty of Paris, then answer the questions below.

U.S. DEPT. OF STATE: THE TREATY OF PARIS

<http://www.state.gov/r/pa/ho/time/ar/14313.htm>

B. STUDENT QUESTIONS

1. Who were the American negotiators to sign a preliminary agreement on the Treaty of Paris in November, 1782?

2. What were the main points of the treaty that the Americans negotiated?

3. What did the Treaty of Paris formally achieve, and when was it signed?

4. At the 1783 formal treaty signing in Paris, Britain was also signing treaties with some other nations. Which countries were involved?

5. What major Revolutionary War occurrence in 1781 led to peace talks, and what was being considered?

6. What were the characteristics of the British government at this time? What was Lord Shelburne's position?

7. Which factors led Britain to reconsider its position?

8. Why did America accept separate peace negotiations from the other nations involved in wars with Britain?

9. Why did Shelburne finally yield to independence for America?

10. Compare the results of the Paris peace treaties with America and those with France.