



Louisiana: Our History, Our Home

Chapter 7: Spanish Louisiana - Section 3: The American Revolution and the Last Decades of Spanish Rule

Guided Reading

Instructions: Read the section and complete each item with words from the passages in this section.

1. Besides leading to the loss of the _____
for France, the _____
_____ took a huge economic toll on all of the nations involved.
2. They were also upset in general by the idea that there was “ _____
_____ ” in the British
parliament (governing body).
3. Seeing no alternative to warfare, the colonists _____
_____ from _____
on July 4, 1776.
4. Even before the war was over, the rebellious colonies had agreed on a form of
government called the _____.
5. After months of work and debate, members of the convention developed a new form of
_____ described in the document called the
_____.
6. The _____ were slow to enter the fighting in the
_____, but
_____ did take certain steps to provide advantages to the
rebel colonists.
7. First, he made it possible for representatives of the _____
_____ to buy supplies at the Spanish port of _____.
8. He first led attacks on the British outpost and fort at _____ and
then _____.
9. _____ had gained considerable
experience governing Louisiana while _____ was away fighting
the British.
10. By this time _____ had become a thriving but
_____ city of more than 5,000 people.

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11. In 1786 he announced a series of orders that were called _____

_____.
12. Under the French _____, masters were given virtually complete legal authority over their slaves.
13. Spanish slave law respected the rights of _____, but also gave _____ the right to complain to the _____ about poor treatment.
14. One result is that, during the Spanish period, the population of _____, called gens de couleur libres (free people of color), became so _____ that they started to constitute a _____ and develop their own culture.
15. Despite his early unpopularity, Miró became a widely admired leader in _____ after a devastating city-wide _____ in 1788.
16. The governor immediately set out to _____ the citizens who had lost everything they owned.
17. Outside New Orleans, Miró also sought to _____ the population in the colony's _____.
18. To entice them to settle in Louisiana's _____ and _____ frontiers, the Spanish governor offered _____.
19. In New Orleans, _____ is credited with creating a system of _____ that provided the city with light and increased safety after dark.
20. The _____ also led to unrest in Louisiana.
21. In 1795, rumors of a slave conspiracy in _____ reached New Orleans.