

America's First Allies: The Oneida Indian Nation

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Objectives

Students will:

1. Analyze a published speech given by Native American leaders to their colonial counterparts.
2. Compare maps from 1763 and 1776 and identify similarities and differences.
3. Identify aspects of the Proclamation of 1763 that Native Americans would have supported.
4. Identify flaws of the Proclamation of 1763 that prevented its success.
5. Infer reasons the Oneidas initially declared neutrality.

Day 1

Speech of the Chiefs and Warriors of the Oneida Tribe of Indians from the Pennsylvania Magazine supplement

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A SPEECH of the Chiefs and Warriors of the Oneida Tribe of Indians, to the four New-England Provinces; directed immediately to Governor Trumbull, and by him to be communicated.

AS my younger brother of the New-England Indians, who have settled in our vicinity, are now going to visit their friends, and to move up part of their families that are left behind, we send this belt by them, to open the road wide, clearing it of all obstacles, that they may visit their friends, and return to their settlements here in peace.

We Oneidas are induced to this measure, on account of the disagreeable situation of affairs that may, and we hope, by the help of

Day 2 Why the Oneida chose neutrality

A new map of North America from the latest discoveries, 1763



The provinces of New York and New Jersey, with part of Pensilvania, and the province of Quebec map



For Description of this County, from Jany. 1700. to Montreal, see 6 or Pennsylv. Topograp. Desc. p. 9 - 14.