



Grade 7

# History



# **New France and British North America, 1713 - 1800**

Life in New France and British North America was not easy. Daily life was filled with hard labour and chores, and people faced expulsion and war.

# Seigneurial System

- the king of France owned all the land and allocated large areas to seigneurs
- the seigneurs divided their land among habitants
- the habitants paid taxes, performed free labour, and gave parts of their harvest to the seigneurs

## Acadia

- Acadia was a colony in New France
- caught in the middle of a rivalry between France and Britain
- the Acadians were deported to the Thirteen Colonies

### Seven Years' War

• fought between France and Britain over North America

# Canada, 1800 - 1850

The early 19th century saw a drastic rise in Canada's population due to mass immigration. This had both positive and negative consequences.

# **Immigration**

British and Irish immigrants came to Canada for a better life but they faced challenges as the journey to Canada was strenuous and people often died from illness. They also brought new diseases into Canada, such as cholera, which became an epidemic. The epidemic resulted in the establishment of public

health organizations.

### **The Timber Trade**

It was a major industry in Upper and Lower Canada. It provided employment, encouraged immigration, and boosted the colonies' economy.

