

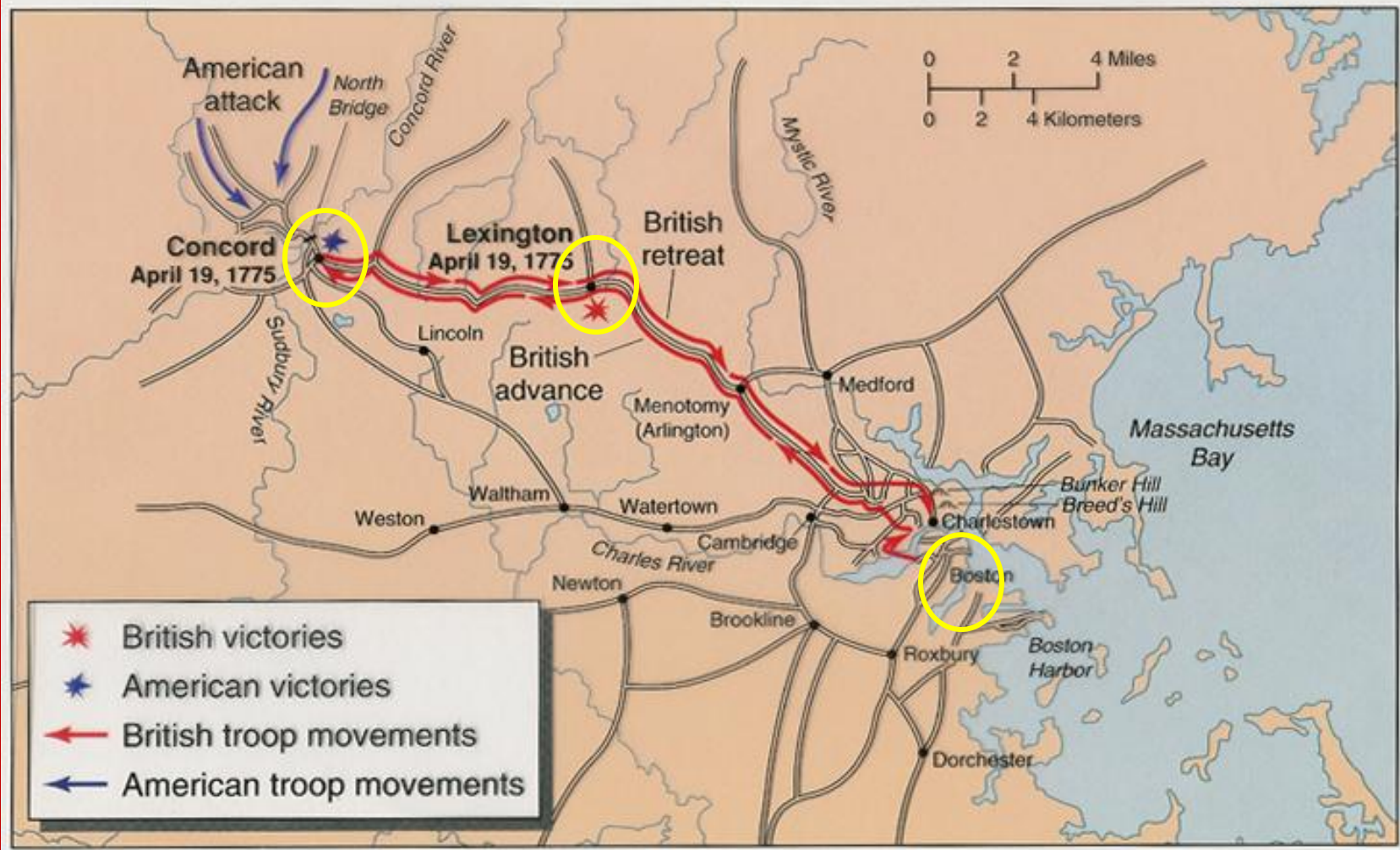
Events of the War for Independence



Lexington and Concord

Date	April 19, 1775
Location	The towns of Lexington and Concord (outside of Boston)
American Leader	Parker
British Leader	Smith
Who won? Why is it important?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Colonial victory• The British retreated to Boston
Interesting facts	First shot fired in the American Revolution
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<http://www.history.com/videos/first-revolutionary-battle-at-lexington--concord>



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New York

Vermont

New Hampshire

Maine

25 mi
25 km

Atlantic Ocean



MASSACHUSETTS

LOW	HILLS	MTS

Battle of Saratoga



Saratoga

Date	October 7, 1777
Location	Saratoga Springs, New York
American Leader	General Gates
British Leader	General Burgoyne
Who won? Why is it important?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• American victory--Britain surrendered• This victory convinced France (and other nations like Spain) to become an allies with the U.S.A.• Confidence booster
Interesting facts	Ben Franklin led the negotiations with France. B. Frank = iloveFrance
Picture/symbol:	

<http://www.history.com/videos/battle-of-saratoga-turns-the-tide-of-the-american-revolution>

BATTLE OF YORKTOWN



Battle of Yorktown

Date	October 6-19 th 1781
Location	Yorktown, Virginia
American Leader	General Washington
British Leader	General Cornwallis
Who won? Why is it important?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Colonial and French troops surrounded British troops by land and water• Britain surrendered• The Colonies were no longer owned by Britain—FREEEEEDOM!
Interesting facts	Final battle of the American Revolution
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<http://www.history.com/videos/1781-victory-at-yorktown-helps-end-the-american-revolution>



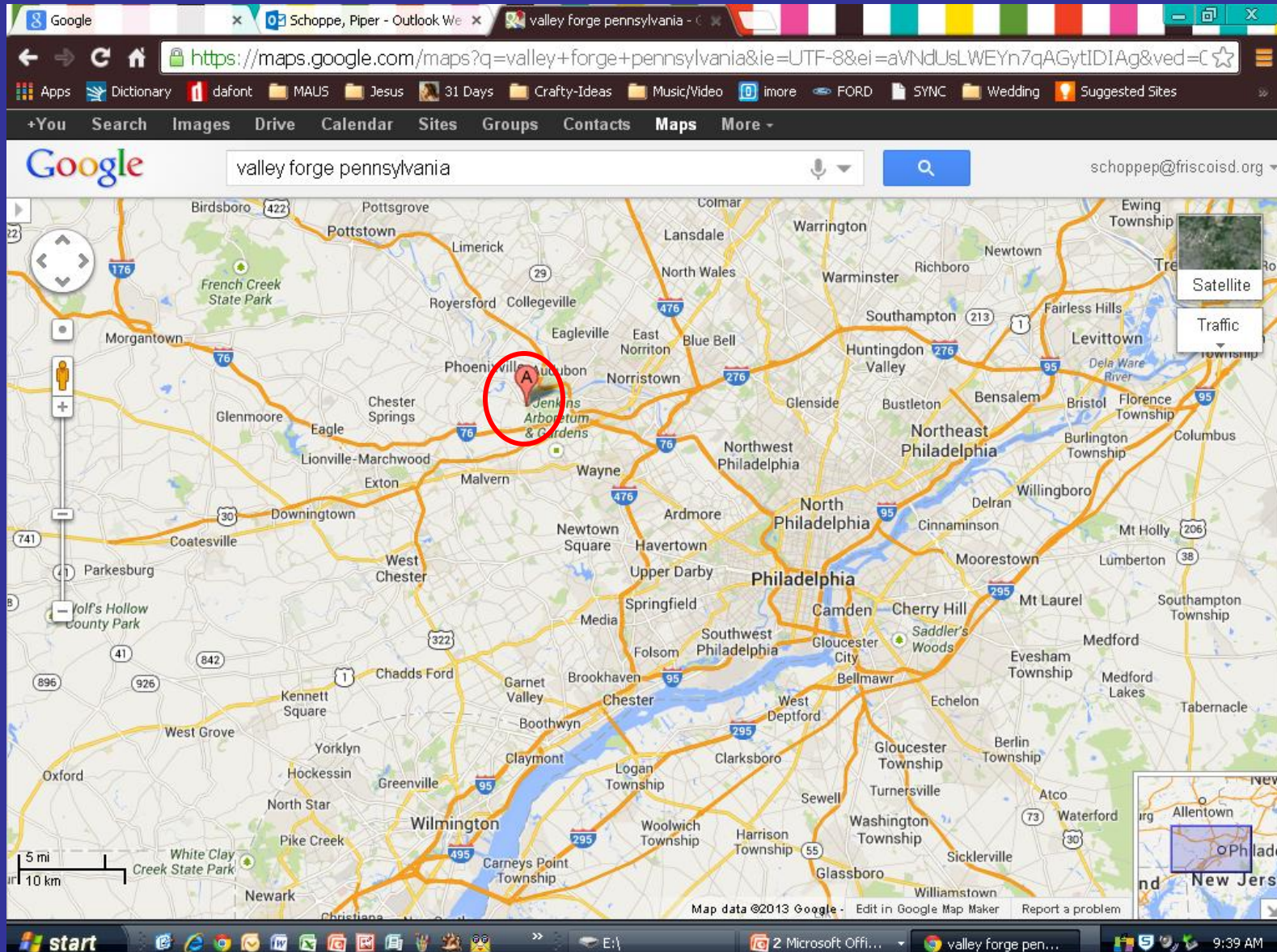
So you see what had happened was....



Valley Forge

Date	Winter of 1777-1778
Location	Valley Forge, PA—outside of Philadelphia
American Leader	General Washington (Baron von Steuben Marquis de Lafayette)
Season	Winter...COLD!
Who won? Why is it important?	This was NOT an ACTUAL BATTLE <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Continental army camped during hard winter•Suffered hardships•Received military training•Washington proved to be a strong leader (Civic Virtue)
3 Hardships the soldiers faced:	
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Valley Forge in today's eye...



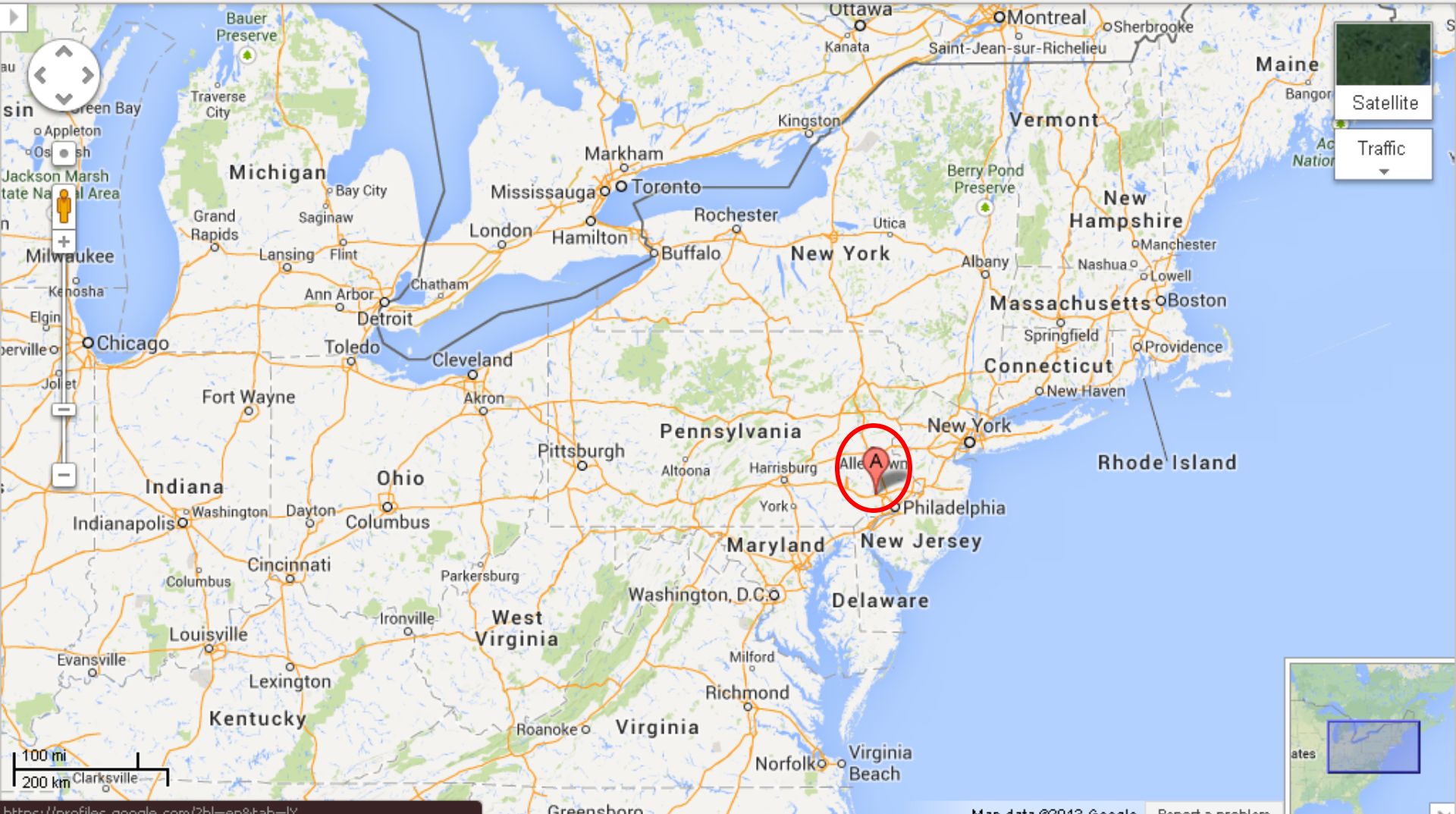
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Treaty of Paris 1783

Date

September 1783

Location

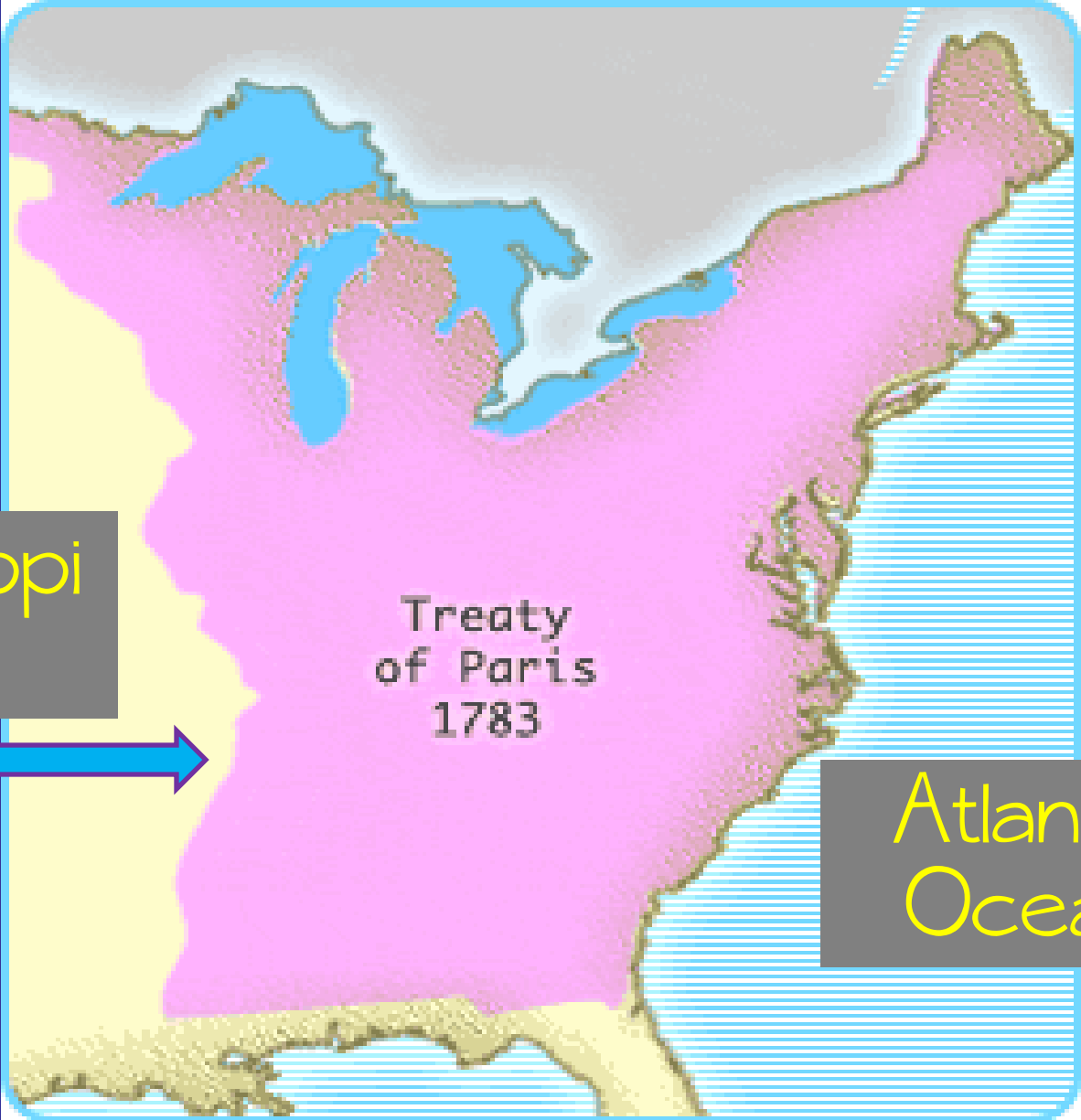
Paris, France

American
Leaders:

1. John Adams
2. Benjamin Franklin
3. John Jay

Terms of Treaty:

- 1) Britain must recognize US as an **independent nation**
- 2) Loyalists allowed to come home
- 3) British troops leave immediately, and peacefully



Mississippi
River



Atlantic
Ocean