

Louisiana Purchase Project Project Responsibilities Sheet

Day One:

- ◆ Using the Internet resources and reference materials, complete the Louisiana Purchase Mind Map.
- ◆ Using the Internet resources and reference materials, complete the Map handout.

Day Two:

- ◆ Using the Mind Map and United States Maps as guides explain to an audience of peers the events of the Louisiana Purchase, the purpose and importance of the Louisiana Purchase, the people who played an important role in the Louisiana Purchase, and persuade listeners that this was a necessary and worthwhile purchase made by the American Government.
- ◆ Pass in completed mind maps and United States maps.

Possible Questions for the Board Game

- ◆ In 1801, what country gave Louisiana back to France?
- ◆ Who was the American president at the time of the Louisiana Purchase?
- ◆ Why were the American people worried about Louisiana being given back to France?
- ◆ Why was the Mississippi River so important to the Americans?
- ◆ Who was sent to France to complete the negotiations with Napoleon?
- ◆ Why did Napoleon begin to consider selling Louisiana?
- ◆ How much money did the United States pay for Louisiana?
- ◆ When did the United States actually purchase Louisiana?
- ◆ Louisiana was over _____ square miles.
- ◆ How many acres was the Louisiana Territory?
- ◆ How many states or parts of states have been carved from the Louisiana Purchase territory?
- ◆ Name 5 of the states carved from the Louisiana Purchase.
- ◆ Name 3 more of the states carved from the Louisiana Purchase.
- ◆ Where did the negotiations for the Louisiana Purchase take place?
- ◆ What position did Napoleon hold in France?

**UNITED STATES MAP
IN 1803 SHOW THE LOUISIANA PURCHASE TERRITORY**
USE COLOR PENCILS TO COLOR IN THE AREA THAT THE LOUISIANA TERRITORY COVERED.



UNITED STATES MAP TODAY



The Louisiana Purchase

In 1762 _____ ceded Louisiana to _____. They ruled it for over 40 years. In 1801, Spain began to decline as a world power and retroceded the land back to _____.

Why did this transfer of ownership of Louisiana bother the United States?

Why did Napoleon begin to consider selling the land?

The United States paid _____ for the land on April 30, _____.

Louisiana was over _____ square miles and nearly _____ acres.

Thirteen states or parts of states have been carved from the Louisiana Purchase territory. These thirteen states are: _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, and _____.

Name four people who played a major role in the Purchase of the Louisiana Territory and tell what these people played.

Name: _____
 Date: _____
 Block: _____
 Partner's name: _____

Internet Resource List

Directions: Use the following URLs to complete your timelines and maps. Use reference materials as needed. Refer to the Project responsibilities sheet to make sure you are on the right track.

- Lycos Zone:
<http://kids.infoplease.lycos.com/ce6/history/A0868125.html>
The Fact Monster will help students find information through the almanac, encyclopedia, dictionary and other resources.
- Louisiana Office of Tourism
<http://www.crt.state.la.us/crt/purch.htm>
This site offers historical information on the Louisiana Purchase as well as other data regarding the state of Louisiana.
- Monticello
<http://www.monticello.org/>
Search the site for information on Thomas Jefferson and daily life at Monticello, his beloved home.
- James Madison: His Legacy
<http://www.jmu.edu/madison/>
James Madison University offers an extensive site on this great man. It includes data on his presidency, Montpelier, U.S. growth and expansion, land expansion, and more.
- Ashlawn - Highland
<http://monticello.avenue.org/Tourism/AshLawn/>
This site, created by the College of William and Mary, offers educational material, maps, a virtual tour of Monticello and much more.
- The Institute for Advanced Technology in Humanities
<http://vahistory.org>
This site offers a link to the University of Virginia's libraries and research center.
- Public Book Shelf
<http://www.publicbookshelf.org>
At this site you will find a collection of books now available to the public, written by master historians.
- Archiving Early America
<http://www.earlyamerica.com/earlyamerica/milestones/louisiana/>
This site includes information on the Treaty of the Louisiana Purchase.
- Cabildo
<http://lsm.crt.state.la.us/CABILDO/cab4.htm>
Here you will find great photographs and information of the history of Louisiana, from territory to its statehood.

- Terry's 1904 World's Fair Page
<http://www.inlink.com/~terry/LPTerritory.html>
 Contains great information on the Louisiana Purchase and presidential involvement.
- Tindall's America: A Narrative History
<http://www.wwnorton.com/college/history/tindall/timelinf/louisian.htm>
 This site contains much historical information, maps, quizzes and review questions on the history of Louisiana.
- Bartleby.com
<http://www.bartleby.com/65/lo/Louisian.html>
 This site contains great books on line such as the Columbia Encyclopedia.
- Louisiana State University Law School
<http://www.law.lsu.edu/library/franconfete/lpot803.htm>
 This site is loaded with information, photographs and other material of the Louisiana Purchase and the Louisiana History Galleries.
- The Avalon Project at the Yale Law School
<http://www.yale.edu/lawweb/avalon/diplomacy/fr1803m.htm>
 This Yale University site is full of legal information regarding the Louisiana Purchase. Information includes treaties, messages to Congress and the Senate by Jefferson, and more.
- National Archives and Records.
<http://www.nara.gov/exhall/originals/loupurch.html>
 Interesting information and photos of the Louisiana Purchase can be located here.
- States and Capitals
<http://www.50states.com>
 This site includes information on all 50 states. This is a good location to look for state flags, state birds, songs and historical data.