## Unit 10 Images of America

### Let's Tell the Story of All America's Cultures

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## Questions:

- Why were the history books wrong?
- What suggestions have been made to improve the public school education? And for what?

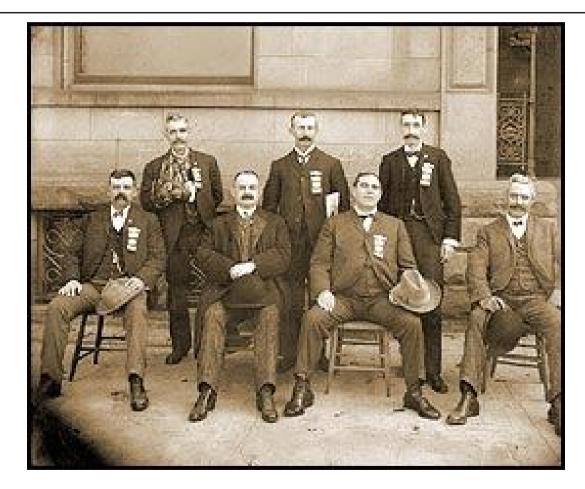


1. ...America was white---albeit with a little black tinged here and there...(L1-2)

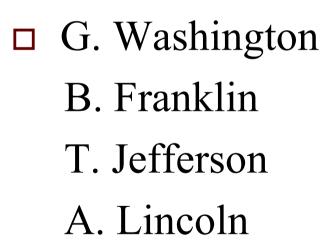
- □ albeit: conj. although (FORMAL) 一般用来连接短语而不是从句
- The evening was very pleasant, albeit a little quiet.
- He tried, albeit without success.

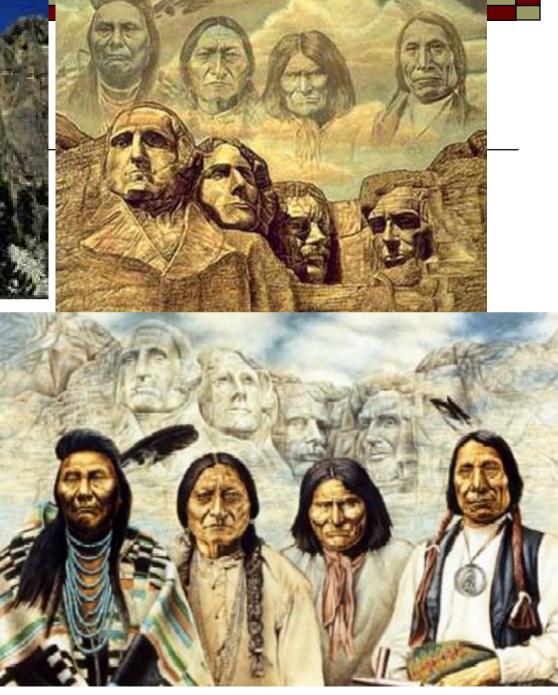


### American Founding Fathers









... explorers and industrialists galore. (L4-5)

- galore adj [after noun] OLD-FASHIONED INFORMAL
- □ in great amounts or numbers:
- □ And for the sweet-toothed, this café has desserts galore.
- □ The daffodils galore are <u>in blossom</u> in Spring *Festival*.

### The only Indians were scalpers. (L.5-6)

#### **scalp** n. [C]

- 1 the skin on the top of a person's head where hair usually grows:
- a dry/oily/itchy scalp
- **2** someone you defeat in a competition or election:

Only under the condition that you take 9 important scalps can it be likely that you get the First Prize.

## □ scalper noun [C] US INFORMAL做投机抽 头的人,黄牛(党)

### A scalper offered me a 300-yuan ticket for the final match for 3000-yuan.



a normal war tactic, along with rife cannibalism







MERICAN INDIAN

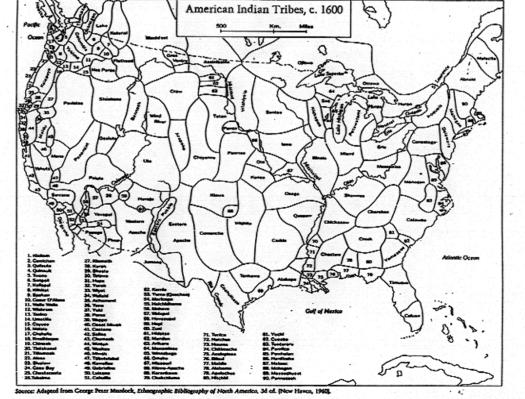
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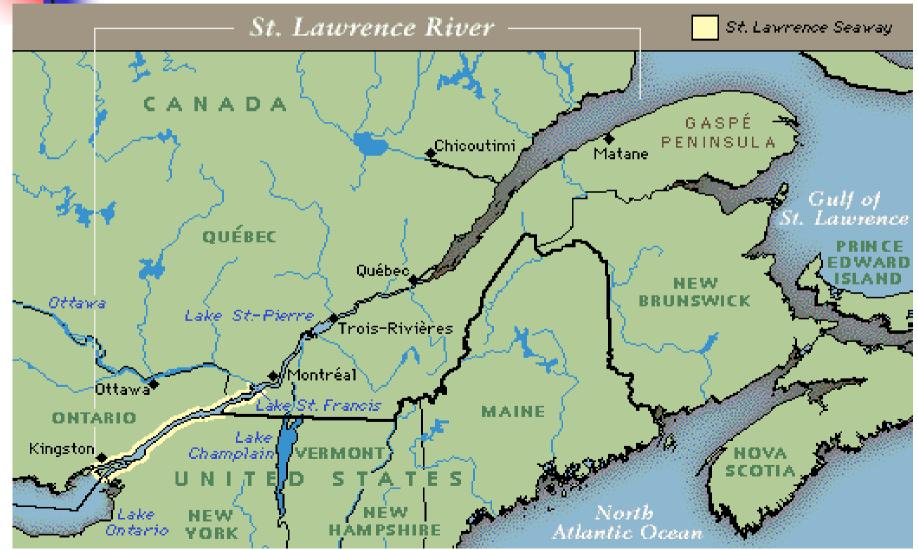
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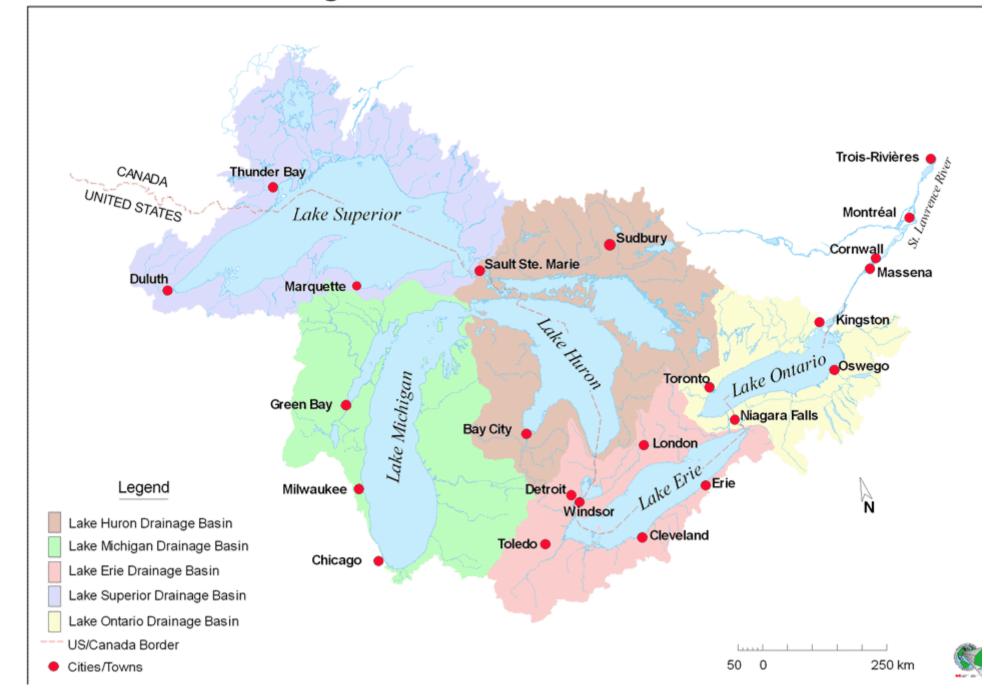
## Benjamin Franklin



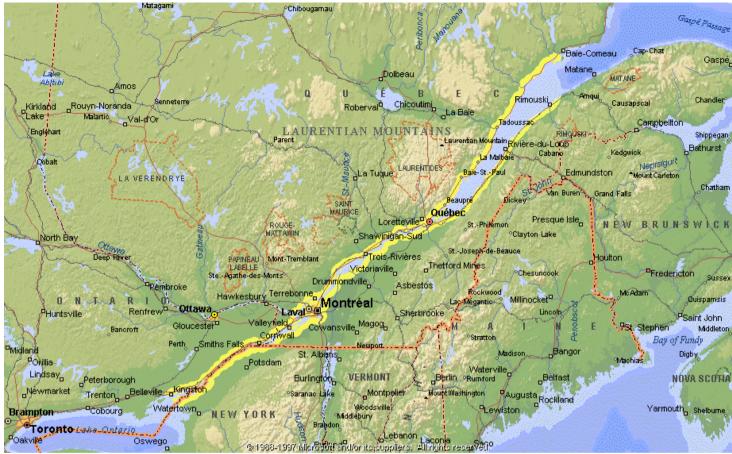


## the St. Lawrence River





#### **Great Lakes Drainage Basin - St. Lawrence River**

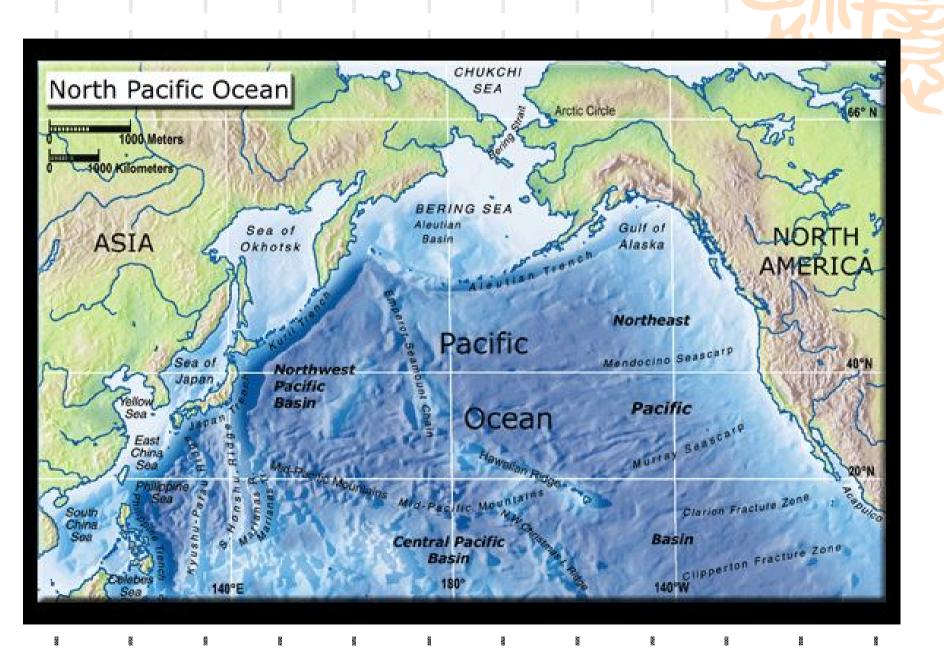


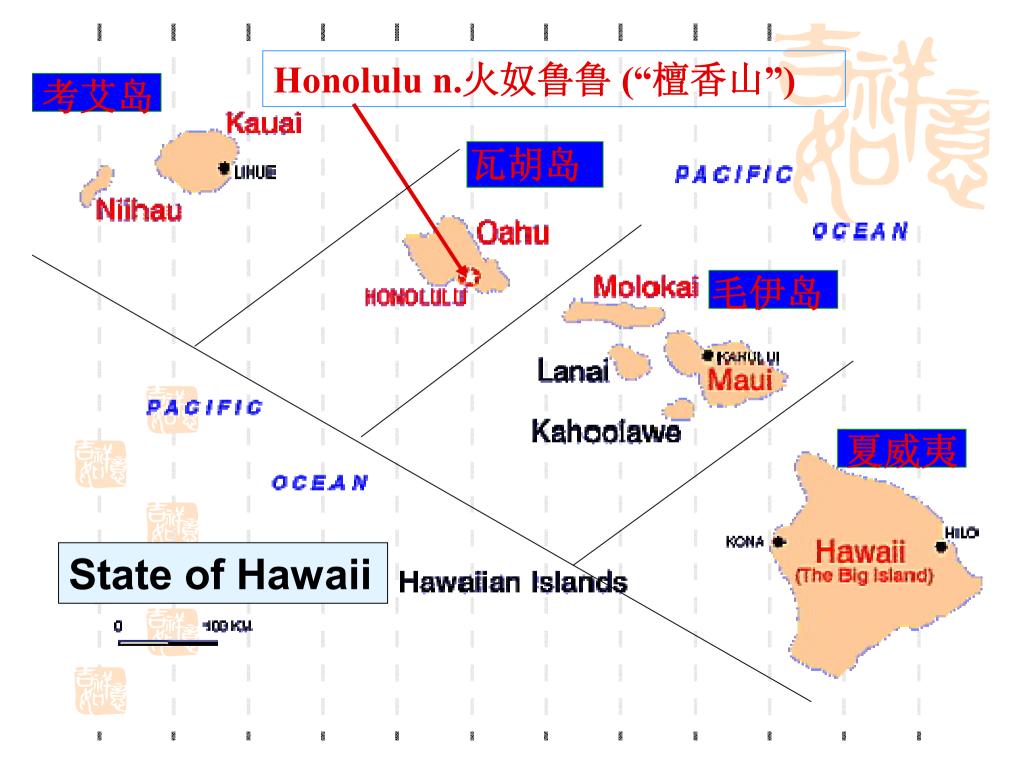
The Iroquois Indians lived in what is now New York State along the St. Lawrence River. The Iroquois Indians were know as the "Five Civilized Tribes". These tribes included the Cayuga, Mohawk, Oneida, Onondaga, and Seneca.

... he adapted that model into our system of state and federal government...(L 8-9)

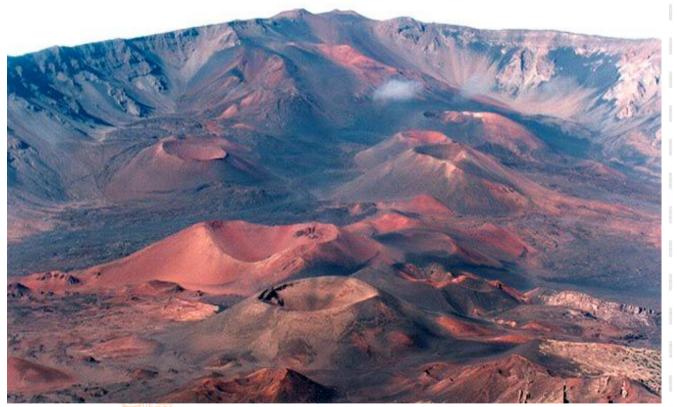
- adapt (CHANGE) verb [T] to change sth. to suit different conditions or uses:
- [+ to infinitive] We had to adapt our individual plans to fit our college's timetable.
- Many producers are busy adapting Qiong Yao's latest novels for television.
- The recipe here is a pork roast adapted from her book Kitchen. (derived from)







### active volcanoes





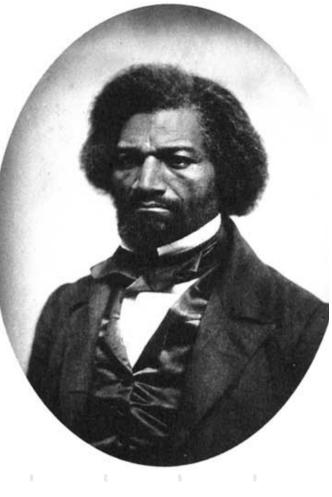




## Frederick Douglass (1818-1895)

The leading spokesman of African Americans in the 1800's. He devoted his life to the abolition of slavery.





## W. E. B. Du Bois (1868-1963)

- an important leader of African American protest in the US
- the leading black opponent of racial discrimination in the first half of the 1900's
- the first African American to receive a Ph.D. from Harvard University (1895)
- The idea for the W. E. B. Du Bois Institute for African and African American Research was proposed in 1969. In 1975, the establishment was announced.





## Nathaniel Turner (1800-1831)

an abolitionist a black American who organized and led the most successful slave revolt in the United States.

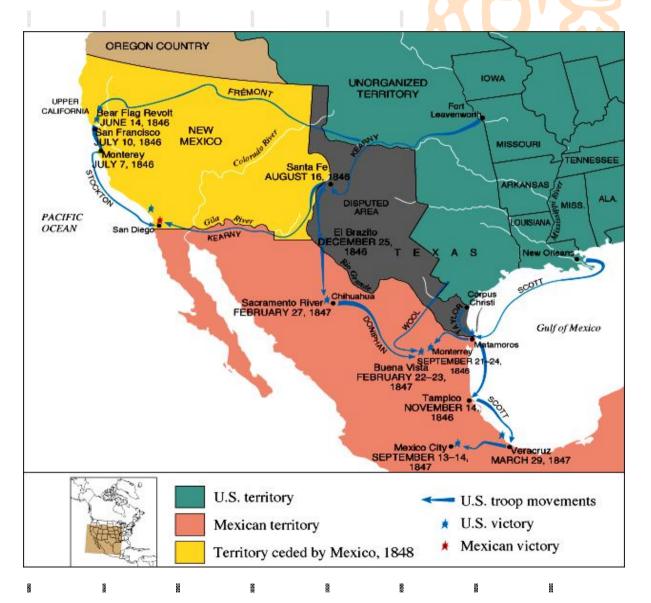


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The spark, a dispute of the boundary, ignited into war between the United States and Mexico.



... they were annexed after the Mexican American War. (L.24)

- annex v. [T] to take possession of an area of land or a country, usually by force or without permission:
- Macao was annexed by the western colonists earlier than Hongkong, which was annexed by Great Britain after the second Opium War.
- □ **annexation** noun [C or U]
- □ To sign one's name or stamp one's seal on sth.
- □ *He annexed his signature* / *seal to this book*.

## America's bittersweet legacy ... wasn't

- for the likes of me,...(L 30-32)
  like n. a person, thing or group similar in character or quality to the one mentioned: 同...一样的人或物
- the like of sb/sth; sb's/sth's like (常冠以物主代词或the)
- Michael Jordan is a great basketball athlete, and we won't see his like again.
- I have never heard /seen the like.
- **likes** plural noun (also **like**) INFORMAL
- the likes of *sb* the type of people mentioned(口)像…这 样的人们或东西
- First-class air ticket is for posh people, and it's not for the likes of me.
- Villas are built to accommodate the likes of you.

...looking up the history I wasn't getting in school. (L35)

- Iook up (IMPROVE) informal
- to become better:
- I hope things will start to look up in the new year.
- Our financial situation is looking up at last.

America, ... composed of many people with varying histories...(L35-36)

- **compose** [T] to be the parts that sth. is made of:
- England, Scotland, and Wales ~ the island of Great Britain. (英伦三岛)
- (often Passive Voice) be composed of sth to be formed from various things:
- His competition is composed of personal free speech deliverance and improvisational speech deliverance.
- The audience was composed largely of young people.
- composition n.

They recommend that public schools provide a "multicultural education, anchored to the share principles of a liberal democracy."

### recommend v. [T]

- to to suggest that a particular action should be done:
- To ~ oneself for a particular job/post 毛遂自荐
- *I* ~*ed* her *for* promotion.
- Would you ~ any novel to me?
- [+ (that)] The doctor recommended (that) I take more exercise.
- [+ ing] I recommend writing your feelings down on paper.
- recommendable 可/值得推荐的
- recommendatory 推荐的、起推荐作用的
- recommendation

### anchor n.

- drop the anchor / weigh the anchor (= pull up)
- sb. or sth. that gives support when needed: (靠山、精神支柱)
- She was my storm anchor when things were difficult for me.
- Letters from home was an ~ to him when he studied abroad.
- v. to make sth. or sb. stay in one position by fastening them firmly: 把...系住/扎牢/粘住
- She anchored a mesh (mosquito net) over her bed.
- The gloomy guy anchored himself to the desk.

Thus, the westward migration of white Americans is not just a heroic settling of an untamed wild,... (L 49-50)

### ☐ tame verb [T]

**1** to make a wild animal not wild or fierce

- **2** to control sth. fierce or powerful:
- You need to tame your temper if you want to succeed.
- Itameable adjective
- tamer noun [C] sb. who tames sth. that is wild, especially an animal:

a lion tamer

They argue that the committee's report puts the focus on ethnicity at the expense of national unity. (L61-62)

- \* at the expense of sb ( at sb's expense) adv.
- ✤ To be paid by sb. 归…付费
- He declined to travel at the expense of her company.
- ★ at the cost of .../ bring harm to sth. 以...为代 价,在损害...的情况下
- \* Would you stop making jokes at my expense?
- \* He finished the job at the expense of his health.

But downplaying ethnicity will not bolster national unity. (L. 63-64)

- **downplay** v. [T] to make sth. seem less important or less bad than it really is:
- The antipatriotic have been trying to downplay the significance of President Hu's visit to Yale.

- ✤ bolster v. to support or improve sth. or make it stronger: 支持,提高
- More money is needed to **bolster** his spirits.
- She tried to bolster my confidence/morale by telling me that I had a special talent.
- They need to do something to bolster their image.

### ✤ Noun: a long firm cylindrical pillow:长枕,

靠枕



◆ "E Pluribus Unum" was the motto proposed for the first Great Seal of the United States(美国第一国玺) by John Adams, Benjamin Franklin, and Thomas Jefferson in 1776.

A Latin phrase meaning "One from many," the phrase offered : strong statement of the American determination to form a single nation from a collection of states.



### 5. It's high time we let all our children gaze upon it. (L71)

- ✤ If it is about time/high time that sb. did sth., it should have been done sooner or a long time ago: 正是时候, 早该
- It's about time (that) the school improved its meals service.
- \* It was high time (that) you had acted on.
- spectrum spectrum

# ★ adept adj. 熟练的, 拿手的 ★ adapt vt. 使适应, 改编 adaptation ★ adopt vt. 采用, 收养

- recommend
- commend
- command