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5. Americans fought against one another in the Civil War between the North and the South. President Abraham Lincoln freed the slaves in the Emancipation Proclamation. The northern states won the war, and the period of Reconstruction (rebuilding) began. The Cause of the American Revolution 1. The King of England allowed the thirteen American colonies a large amount of self-government. One of the reasons for this freedom was that between 1689 and 1763 England was busy with wars against France. The colonists helped the Mother Country (England) against the French in the French and Indian War. Reconstruction After the war the South became part of the United States again. This long, difficult period was called Reconstruction.