

**What events led to the
American Revolution?**

Focus Questions

- ◆ What is mercantilism?
- ◆ Why were the Navigation Acts and what impact did they have on the relationship between Great Britain and her colonies?
- ◆ What is salutary neglect and what did it mean to the colonies?

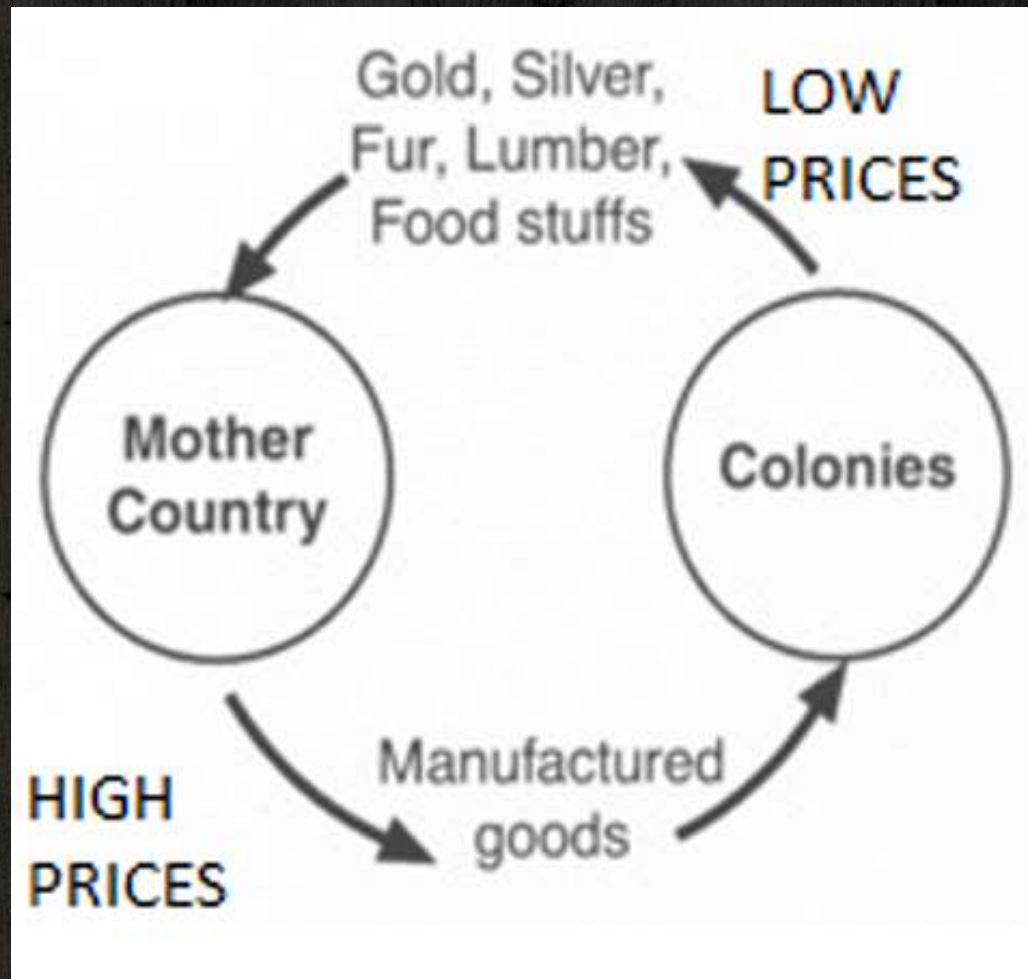




Mercantilism

Mercantilism is an economic policy that is designed to make great profit from a country's exports.

Mercantilism



Triangle of Trade



The purpose of the colonies is to serve the Mother country!

The Mercantilist Argument for Colonial Expansion



Source: Philip Dorf, *Our Early Heritage: Ancient and Medieval History*,
Oxford Book Company (adapted)



Navigation Acts

The Navigation Acts were designed to tighten the government's control over trade between England, its colonies, and the rest of the world.