## The Germ Warfare In The Seven Year War: Was Jeffrey Amherst Justified

Lord Jeffrey Amherst is a man that modern day society and historians would consider a controversial topic. Jeffrey Amherst was the commanding general of forces that were sent to battle on the North American continent in the year of 1758, against the Native Americans and the French Army. This conflict was known as the "Seven Years War" to those in Europe, or the "French and Indian War" to those in America. During this war, Jeffery Amherst used a variety of tactics in order to conquer the enemy troops and secure dominance in North America for Great Britain. The one tactic that Amherst is known for is the use of germ warfare against the Native Americans, which consequently devastated the French allies. This action by Amherst was justified in the military standpoint of defeating the most prominent enemy and preventing future conflicts. At the time of the late 1800's, there was still a continuing feud amongst the old world superpowers of Europe on the continent of North America. The conflict consisted of the French and the Native Americans against Great Britain and its colonies. The war began due to the always present tension between the two European superpowers, so this war is basically just another continuation of their never-ending feud. Though this is not the only reason for this war to begin, the other reasons include total control of North America and its resources and the conflict between French fur trappers and the colonist that are expanding into French territory and interfering with their trade routes. The war took place in many areas throughout its sevenyear period, the locations of which the war took place include the Caribbean, North America, India, and in Europe itself; though the war primarily took place on the North American continent which is the area that France desires to acquire the most. This is due to the continent's resources and its close proximity to the sugar-full Caribbean, which is considered more valuable than all other resources. When the

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India, and in Europe itself; though the war primarily took place on the North American continent which is the area that France desires to acquire the most. This is due to the continent's resources and its close proximity to the sugar-full Caribbean, which is considered more valuable than all other resources. When the war began the French Army was dominating the war and the numerous battles within it against, the soldiers from Great Britain had no familiarity with the land and like most had a poor relationship with the natives, which resulted in their rough beginning in the war. It wasn't till on July 7, 1763, Commander Jeffery Amherst the commanding general of forces in North America, was considering the use of Smallpox infected items in the battles against the natives who had sided with the French since they had the least amount of immunity against the old world diseases.

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