

Name _____ **Benjamin Franklin**

Benjamin Franklin: Ambassador

Ben Franklin went to France for several years in 1776. There, he spent his time with influential people, garnering French support for the American Revolution. This alliance with France was one of the main reasons why the American colonists were able to defeat Britain. Franklin remained in France during the American Revolution, and in 1783, he helped to negotiate the end of the war with the Treaty of Paris.

1. What is an ambassador?



2. Why was it important for Franklin to be in France before, during, and after the American Revolution?

3. What kinds of skills do you think make for a good ambassador?