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When Washington was 16 he met Lord Thomas Fairfax, an Englishman that owned a great amount of land. He gave Washington his first job as a surveyor.

When George was fourteen, he wanted to join the British Royal Navy and become a sailor. George asked his mother to let him go, but she did not want him in the British Royal Navy.

George's mother would not grant him permission to join the Navy. He gave up his hopes of becoming a sailor.

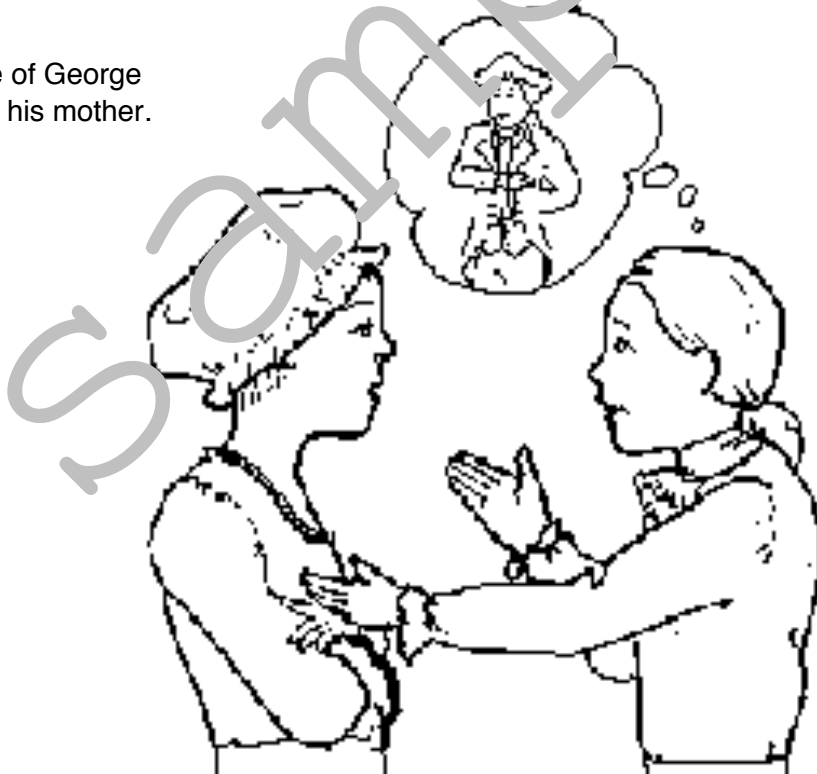


When George was fifteen, he learned how to use surveying instruments. He earned money helping the local surveyors.

A surveyor is someone who measures plots of land to show the boundaries. You must be very good in math. The tools of the surveyor are very delicate. George had to be careful. He had to be precise and accurate.



Color the picture of George Washington and his mother.



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George later became the official surveyor for the county where he lived. George Washington saved much of the money he earned to purchase land.

When George Washington was twenty, he joined the British military. He helped the British fight the French and the Indians.

When George was twenty-three, he was given an important message to deliver to the French army.

The message warned the French to leave the Ohio Valley. The French army would not leave. George was given a letter to carry back to the British. The trip was hard and dangerous.



George Washington helped the British fight in the French and Indian War. Look up information about the French and Indian War. Write about it on the lines below.

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CRISS CROSS

Can you fit these words into the criss cross?
Use a pencil so you can erase if you need to.

president
leader

military
capitol

founder
first

uniform
war

