HISTORY BOOK



Frederick II Frederick the Great

About Me:

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I am Frederick II, King of Prussia since 1740. I love the arts like music, Greek and Roman classics, and poetry. Sadly, these interests caused my father to abuse me and have me trained vigorously in the military. In 1730 I decided to run away with my boyfriend at the time, but we were caught and my father forced me to watch his execution. When my father died in 1740, I took the throne and almost immediately invaded Austria; Maria Theresa was just crowned and I thought she was a weak female. This was called the War of Austrian Succession. The borders of Prussia and Austria hardly changed; Prussia gained Silesia. Some call me Frederick the Great because after the War of Austrian Succession, I made many reforms, like making the justice system better, increasing religious tolerance, and increasing of trade routes throughout Prussia. I also created a very formidable army, which was helpful once I started the Seven Years' War in 1756 by invading Saxony. Prussia, despite being allies with Britain, lost too many lives in the war for it to be a victory. After the war I made more reforms in Prussia.



People You Know:











Frederick William I Sophia Dorothea

Hans H. von Katte

Elizabeth Christine

Maria Theresa

Louis XV

Comments:

Sophia Dorothea said:

Sent: 1720

Son, you should read this Greek classic; I think you would like it. Also, I signed you up for another French class.

You said: Sent: 1720

Thank you mom! You're the best!

Elizabeth Christine said:

Sent: 1733

Frederick, would you *please* spend time with me? I can understand if you don't love me, our marriage was political, but at least talk to me!

You said: Sent: 1733

I am sorry, Elizabeth, but I am too busy reading and training.

Hans H. von Katte said:

Sent: 1730

Frederick, are you ready to leave? Are you packed?

You said:

Sent: 1730

Yes, my love. I am ready to run away with you.

Maria Theresa said:

Sent: 1740

Frederick, I cannot believe you! You invaded Silesia less than two months after I was crowned! Who does that!?

You said:

Sent: 1740

I do that, Maria Theresa. And I bet when the war is over I will have won, and Silesia will be the newest addition to Prussia!

Frederick William I said:

Son, you better stop reading those Roman and Greek classics and get to your military classes or I'm going to be forced to beat you again!

You said:

Father, I hate you! You killed Hans, made me watch, and you beat me and even imprisoned me! You are the worst father ever!

Frederick William I said:

Sent: 1730

Son, it is for your own good and the good of Prussia. Where would Prussia be if you successfully ran away with your boyfriend? There would be no heir!

Louis XV said:

Sent: 1752

Frederick, I am so glad my kingdom, France, and Prussia are such great allies!

You said:

Sent: 1756

We were such great allies, weren't we? It's not like you turned around and allied with my enemy, Maria Theresa! The joke is on you, though. I'm now allied with George III!

Louis XV said:

Sent: 1756

I cannot help Maria Theresa saw France as a great ally!

Emily Granville

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