Great Britain’s Reasons for Control

1. Great Britain desired to be a world power.
2. In the American colonies, Great Britain’s desire to remain a world power resulted in conflict with the French known as the French and Indian War.
3. Great Britain imposed taxes, such as the Stamp Act, to raise necessary revenue to pay the cost of the French and Indian War.

Great Britain’s Reasons for Taxation

1. To help finance the French and Indian War.
2. To help with the maintaining of British troops in the colonies.

Sources of Colonial Dissatisfaction

1. Colonies had no representation in Parliament.
2. Some colonies resented the power of the colonial governors.
3. Great Britain wanted strict control over colonial colonial legislatures.
4. Colonies opposed taxes.
5. The Proclamation of 1763, which followed the French and Indian War, restricted the western movement of settlers.

Essential Understanding: As Great Britain expanded control over the colonies, many colonists became dissatisfied and rebellious.