Colonial America. Introduction. Pre-Columbian America (before 1492). Brief overview of European history (before 1492). Vikings (1000-1013). Exploration (1492-1620). Early Colonial Period (1492 - 1607). The English Colonies (1607 - 1754). Road to Revolution (1754 - 1774). The Republic until 1877. The American Revolution (1774 - 1783). A New Nation is Formed (1783 - 1787). The Early Years of the Constitutional Republic (1787 - 1800). Jeffersonian Republicanism (1800 - 1824). Shall we talk about The Story of American Freedom by Eric Foner? This is a seminal work of historical scholarship. I have met Eric Foner on several occasions and he’s a distinguished professor at Columbia University and has published many books, most of them on the 19th century and some of the key issues of the 19th century. But this book is a survey of American history on the theme of freedom, and how that word has changed in meaning, depending on what period of time we’re talking about. He writes about freedom from the point of view of the revolt against colonial rule in the 18th