

The English in India



- Aurangzeb's large kingdom began to collapse soon after he died.
- After Aurangzeb died, his oldest son Bahadur Shah I killed the other brothers and moved into the palace at Delhi.
- Nadir Shah marched from Persia to Delhi, burned the city, killed the people, and returned to Persia with the riches of India.
- Siraj, his Indian army, and some French traders captured the English Fort William at Calcutta. They forced the captured English into the Black Hole.

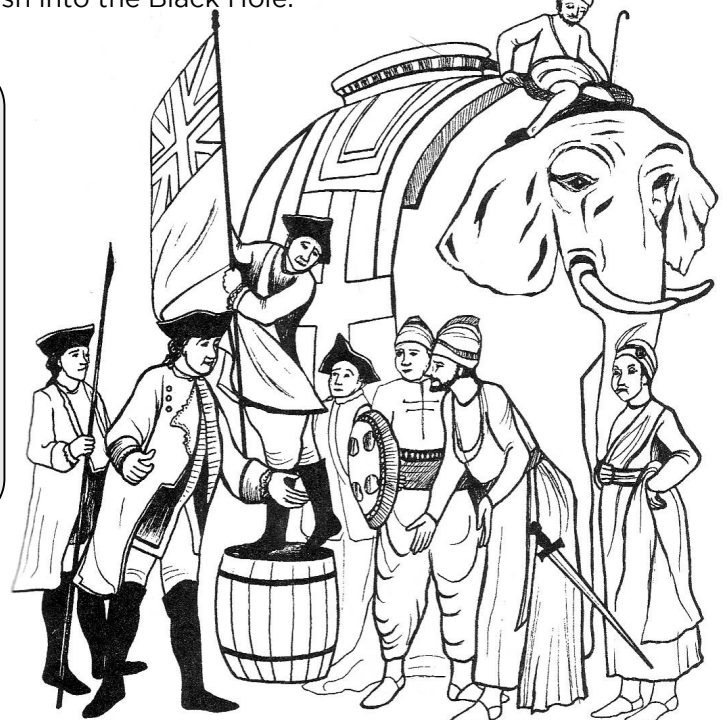
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