

Unit 2

Colonization of North America

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What will we be learning: In the 1500s, Spain sent soldiers and explorers to America to explore and conquer the lands there. Spain conquered the Aztec and Inca Empires and established a system of colonial government to rule these new territories. Spanish settlers grew wealthy in the New World, often by using American Indians or Africans as slave laborers. France, England, and the Netherlands also hoped to create their own empires in the Americas and began to create colonies at this time. English colonists established the first English settlement in Virginia, hoping to find wealth. Later colonists, such as the Puritans, Catholics, and Quakers, came to America seeking religious and political freedom. Throughout the colonies, these new settlers had to adapt to different environments with a variety of crops and varied ways of life.

Pathways: Below is the outline of the unit. Complete assignments in order. Assignments need to be completed and turned into Google Classroom.

Unit Goals: (#=State Standard)

1. Primary and secondary sources are used to examine events from multiple perspectives and to present and defend a position.
 2. North America, originally inhabited by American Indians, was explored and colonized by Europeans for economic and religious reasons.
 3. Competition for control of territory and resources in North America led to conflicts among colonizing powers.
 4. The practice of race-based slavery led to the forced migration of Africans to the American colonies. Their knowledge and traditions contributed to the development of those colonies and the United States.
22. Choices made by individuals, businesses and governments have both present and future consequences.



“As soon as I arrived in the Indies, in the first island which I found, I took some of the natives by force, in order that they might learn and might give me information of whatever there is in these parts. And so it was that they soon understood us, and we them, either by speech or by signs, and they have been very serviceable.”

-Christopher Columbus



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Order	Assignment
1	CRASH COURSE:The Black Legend, Native Americans, and Spaniards: Crash Course US History #1
2	Settlements in the New World Chart
3	Settlements in the New World READING
4	Settlements Map
5	Primary Source Comparative: Columbus, American Hero? PSEF-Columbus Logs PSEF-Casas Writings Comparing Accounts
6	Settlements, Columbus and Map Quiz
7	The Columbian Exchange and Slavery Guided Reading
8	Slave Narrative
9	The Growth of Slavery Guided Reading
14	Unit 2 Colonization Test