The Columbian Exchange
1. Colonization and Forging a Nation

a. Identify the reasons for colonization, evaluate its impacts, and analyze the success or failure of settlements in North America

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The Impact of Colonization on Europeans

-Columbus and other explorers eventually realized they had discovered an entire new world.

-European countries began making claims on different portions of the Americas.

-Thousands came to the Americas and started to send goods and resources back to Europe.
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- New goods between to the “new” world and the “old” world began to be transported between the regions.

- Nations began to have hostility toward each other in fighting for the new land.

- In 1494, Spain and Portugal signed the Treaty of Tordesillas and divided the Western Hemisphere.
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NORTH AMERICA

BEANS
Cacao (chocolate)
Maize (corn)
Peanuts
Pineapples
Potatoes
Pumpkins
Squash
Sweet potatoes
Tobacco
Tomatoes
Turkeys

EUROPE

Bananas
Cattle
Chickens
Citrus fruits
Coffee beans
Grapes
Horses
Onions
Peaches
Pigs
Rice
Sugarcane
Wheat

AFRICA

SOUTH AMERICA

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Spain Tries to Claim land in the Americas

-Conquistadors were Spaniards who, motivated by the prospect of wealth, left to explore the Americas.

-In 1519, Hernando Cortes and over five hundred men went to conquer the Aztecs and take their gold.

-Montezuma, an Aztec leader, thought Cortes was a god and agreed to give him gold.
Conquistadors vs. the Aztecs

-The Spaniards forced the Aztecs to mine for gold and they rebelled and forced the Conquistadors out.

-In 1521, Cortes gathered an alliance of other Native Americans to fight the Aztecs.

-Many of the Native Americans were being killed off by disease in this time as well.
Discussion Questions:

Where did the Spanish control territory?

Which country controlled the most land?

Which country controlled the area that we live in today?
Colonization caused naval conflicts between England vs. Spain
The Spanish Armada attempts an attack on England in 1588.
England vs. Spain

-Spain had control of areas in North America, including modern day New Mexico, San Antonio, and San Diego. Spanish men married Native American women and created the Mestizo race.

-Spain and England went to war over the new world claims. Spain sent the Spanish Armada to attack England in 1588; yet, they failed.

-From that point forward, England controlled the North American territory bordering the Atlantic.
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