Imagine Italian food without tomatoes, Mexican food with no rice and bean dish, the Irish without potatoes, chocolate without sugar.

Thanks to the Columbian Exchange, we don't have to do without some of our





# The Columbian Es

# One of history's great turning points!!

Columbian Exchange SS6H1b

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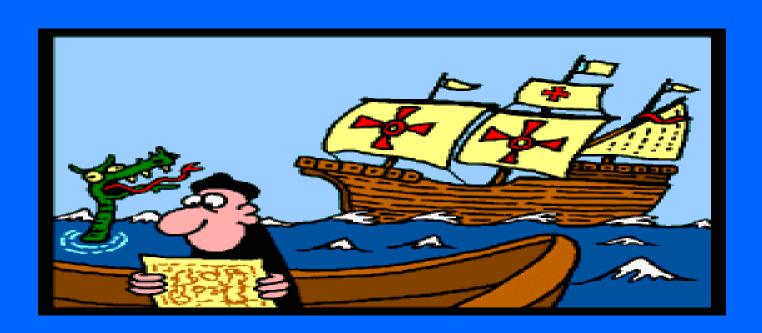
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Exploration led to an enormous exchange of people, plants, animals, technology, and ideas that would change the lives of people in Asia, Europe, the Americas and Africa.

# Because this global interaction began with Columbus, it is called the Columbian Exchange.

It was between the Old and New Worlds.





## Areas of Exchange

We can categorize these changes into three main areas:

1. Agricultural Changes agriculture = farming, ranching...

2. Introduction of the Horse

3. Decline of Indigenous Population indigenous population = native peoples

## Agricultural Changes

ze, potato, tomato, tobacco,

beans, cacao, and cotton were introduced to

Europe's population.

• Sugar, rice, wheat, coffee, bananas and grapes were brought to the Americas as cash crops.



#### **Plantations**





Tobacco





Rice

#### Tobacco





Cacao



# Harvesting Chili Peppers





Pieter Aertsen, MARKET WOMAN AT VEGETABLE STAND (1567). Courtesy of WorldArt Kiosk/Kathleen Cohen.

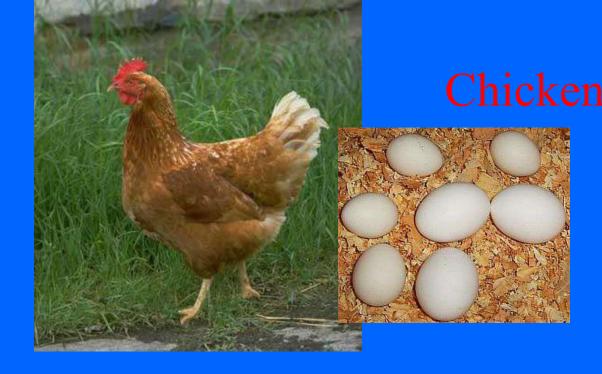
What does this painting tell you about the effects of the Columbian Exchange on the European diet?

#### Agricultural Change Animals

- Food production, whether plant or animal, grew tremendously during this time period.
- Land was colonized to farm and ranch.
- Animal fertilizer became an important supplement to the soil, increasing plant yield.





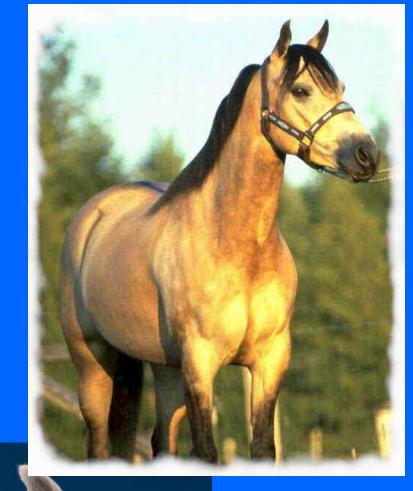


Goats and Sheep





- Llamas were the only domesticated animal in Latin America.
- Cattle, horses, pigs and sheep were brought to the Americas from Europe.
- The Americas had no domesticated animals to introduce to the Europeans.



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The use of horses by the Spanish conquistadors was one of the things that helped them gain the upper hand when attacking, and defeating, the

Aztecs and Incas.



When horses became part of the Native Americans way of life, it changed their lives drastically.

Traveling

Hunting buffalo



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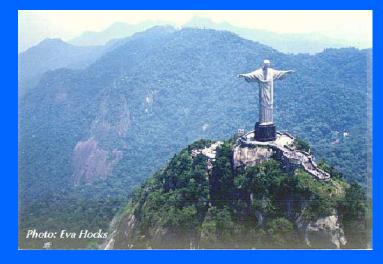
# Decline of Indigenous Population

• Unknowingly, the Europeans brought many diseases with them. They didn't know about germs and what caused people to be sick. Illness in Europe was considered to be the consequence of sin.

• Indians, who were largely "heathen" or non-Christian were

regarded as sinners and therefore subject to illness as a punishment

 The indigenous people had no immunity against diseases like smallpox and measles. Millions died.



#### Smallpox

- Central Mexico 25 million in 1519 to less than one million in 1605
- Hispaniola One million in 1492 to 46,000 in 1512
- North America 90% of Native Americans were gone within 100 years of Plymouth landing



#### Disease Raced Ahead

- In most cases, the indigenous people became sick even before they had direct contact with Europeans.
- Trade goods that traveled from tribe to tribe through middlemen were often the carrier of disease.
- There is little evidence to think that Europeans intentionally infected trade items for trade with Indians to kill them.

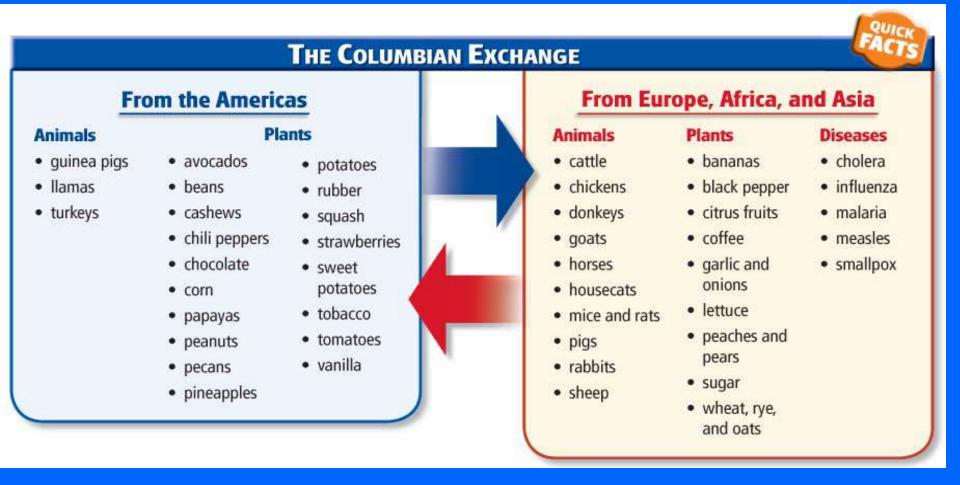




Today, smallpox has severe consequences for people with no, or little, immunity.



#### The Columbian Exchange in a Nutshell



#### Columbian Exchange and Mercantilism

#### New Economic Policy

Founding of colonies, new goods in Europe led to significant changes

1500s, Europeans developed new economic policy, mercantilism

Nation's strength depended on its wealth

Wealthy nation had power for military and expanded influence

#### Intense Competition

Wealth measured by amount of gold, silver possessed by nation

Mercantilists believed there was fixed amount of wealth in world

For one nation to become wealthier, more powerful—had to take wealth, power away from another nation

Mercantilism led to intense competition between nations

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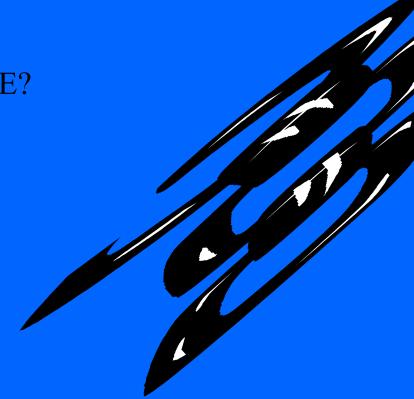
History is a chain of events, one link connecting to the next. The Columbian Exchange added numerous links to the world's history.

What events occurred because of the CE?

Were they all positive?

Did different groups experience the Columbian Exchange the same way?

Use the picture on the next slide to help you formulate your answers.



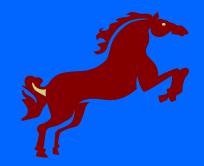


#### Columbian Exchange Graphic Organizer Directions

- 1.Use the ppt and our discussion to aid you as you fill in the graphic about the Columbian Exchange.
- 2. After inserting the facts, please draw pictures for "AC" and D of IP." The "I of the H" already has a picture done for you.

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# Columbian Exchange Graphic Organizer Answers

- changed the culture of the Native Americans
- the exchange food between the New and the Old World
- helped Spanish conquistadors in their initial encounters with the Aztecs and Incas
- increase in food production resulted in increased human populations
- need for workers on plantations led to slavery
- Europeans unknowingly brought diseases (smallpox, influenza, measles)
- indigenous people had no immunity so they died by the millions