

Chapter 5 Lesson 2 New European Colonies

French Settlements

1. Samuel de Champlain was a French explorer who explored the St. Lawrence River looking for the Northwest Passage.
2. The Northwest Passage was a water way connecting the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans.
3. Champlain founded the colony of Quebec on the St. Lawrence River.
4. This proved to be a good location because beavers could be trapped, and their fur could be sold for huge profits in Europe.
5. The French colonies, Quebec and Montreal, were also known as New France.



Dutch Settlements

6. Henry Hudson was an English sea captain sent by Dutch leaders to find new waterways to Asia.
7. Like Champlain, Hudson sailed up a wide river, hoping it too would prove to be the Northwest Passage.
8. Later this river was named the Hudson River.
9. The Dutch colonies became known as New Netherland.
10. In 1624, Dutch settlers began building the town of New Amsterdam on Manhattan Island.
11. New Amsterdam was taken over by England and is now known as New York City.
12. No one ever found the **Northwest Passage** because it doesn't exist!!!

