Time Frame: 3-4 weeks	Unit Title: Columbian Exchange	Course Name: 7th grade Social Studies
Stage 1: Desired Results		
Established Goal(s)	Transferable Skills	
NH Social Studies Standards SS:GE:5: Environment and Society	Students will be able to independently use their learning to make connections between cultural exchanges in both the past and present. Students will be able to research, support, and explain other instances of global diffusion and acculturation examples both in the past and present.	
 Students will demonstrate an understanding of the connections and consequences of the interactions between Earth's physical and human systems SS:WH:2: Contacts, Exchanges & International Relations Students will demonstrate their understanding of the interactions of peoples and governments over time. SS:HI:5: Social/Cultural Students will demonstrate an understanding of the interaction of various social groups, including their values, beliefs and practices, over time. 	Meaning	
	Understandings Students will understand that The Columbian Exchange was a transformative period in history when the Old World and the New World exchanged ideas, resources, and diseases, resulting in significant cultural, economic, and environmental impacts.	Essential Questions What was the Columbian Exchange, and why is it significant? How did the Columbian Exchange affect the cultures, economies, and environments of the Old World and the New World? What were the long-term consequences of the Columbian Exchange?
	Acquisition	
	Students will know the causes and consequences of major events and developments in world history the connections and interactions between regions and cultures in world history the impact of physical and cultural geography on different regions spatial patterns and interactions of human societies in different regions scores the world	Students will be able to define the Columbian Exchange and identify key historical figures and events associated with it. describe the exchange of goods, ideas, and diseases between the Old World and the New World.

examine maps showing the regions and territories affected by the exchange of goods, ideas, and diseases.
compare and contrast maps of the Old World and the New World before and after the Columbian Exchange to identify changes in boundaries, trade routes, and cultural influences.