Social Studies

Brunswick School Department Grade 5 The Age of Exploration 1400 to 1600

Essential Understandings	The Age of Exploration impacted the world.					
Essential Questions	 What were the reasons for exploration? Who were the explorers? What was the impact on North America as a result of exploration? 					
Essential Knowledge	 The reasons for exploration include: Political (expansion of power, land) Commercial (merchants increased wealth through trade) Religion Technological (ships, sail, navigation, telescope, maps, weapons) Significant European explorers include: 					
	Prince Henry the Navigator	English John Cabot	Dutch Henry Hudson	Spanish Vasco Nunez de Balboa	French Jacques Cartier	
	Vasco da Gama	Sir Walter Raleigh Sir Francis Drake		Christopher Columbus Francisco Vasquez de Coronado	Samuel de Champlain Louis Joliet and Jacque	_
				Hernando de Cortes Hernando	Marquette	_
	 The three areas of colonization. New France (Canada, Mississippi River to Appalachian Mountains). New Spain (South West North America, Mexico, and Florida). English Colonies (New England, Middle Colonies, and Southern Colonies). 					
Vocabulary	 Terms: navigate, technology, expedition, colony, colonization, northwest passage, trading, explore, profit, merchants, Muslim, tax, Christianity, spices, porcelain, silk, voyage, straight, expansion 					
Essential Skills	 Identify the reasons for exploration. Recognize European explores and their contribution to history. Summarize the impact on North America as a result of exploration. 					

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Related Maine Learning Results	Social Studies History A. Chronology 1. Describe the effects of historical changes on daily life. 2. Identify sequence of major events and people in the history of Maine, the United States, and selected world civilizations. B. Historical Knowledge, Concepts and Patterns 1. Demonstrate an understanding of the causes and effects of major events in United States history and the connections to Maine history with an emphasis on events up to 1877.
Sample	 Create a timeline of major explorations studies.
Lessons	 Complete a map showing the travels of explorers.
And	 Create a graphic organizer for significant contributions of the
Activities	explorers studied.
Sample Classroom Assessment Methods	 Research and present the discoveries of a specific explorer.
Sample Resources	 Publications: America Will Be – Houghton Mifflin America's History of Land of Liberty – Vivian Berenstein A History of the United States – Joy Hakim
Technology Link	http://www.brunswick.k12.me.us/curriculum