

Social Studies

Unit 1: The Age of Exploration 1400 to 1600

Essential Understandings	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ The Age of Exploration impacted the world.																														
Essential Questions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ What were the reasons for exploration?▪ Who were the explorers?▪ What was the impact on North America as a result of exploration?																														
Essential Knowledge	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ The reasons for exploration include:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Political (expansion of power, land)○ Commercial (merchants increased wealth through trade)○ Religion○ Technological (ships, sail, navigation, telescope, maps, weapons)▪ Significant European explorers include:<table><tr><td>Portuguese</td><td>English</td><td>Dutch</td><td>Spanish</td><td>French</td></tr><tr><td>Prince Henry the Navigator</td><td>John Cabot</td><td>Henry Hudson</td><td>Vasco Nunez de Balboa</td><td>Jacques Cartier</td></tr><tr><td>Vasco da Gama</td><td>Sir Walter Raleigh</td><td></td><td>Christopher Columbus</td><td>Samuel de Champlain</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>Sir Francis Drake</td><td></td><td>Francisco Vasquez de Coronado</td><td>Louis Joliet and Jacque Marquette</td></tr><tr><td></td><td></td><td></td><td>Hernando de Cortes</td><td></td></tr><tr><td></td><td></td><td></td><td>Hernando de Soto</td><td></td></tr></table>▪ The three areas of colonization.<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ 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).	Portuguese	English	Dutch	Spanish	French	Prince Henry the Navigator	John Cabot	Henry Hudson	Vasco Nunez de Balboa	Jacques Cartier	Vasco da Gama	Sir Walter Raleigh		Christopher Columbus	Samuel de Champlain		Sir Francis Drake		Francisco Vasquez de Coronado	Louis Joliet and Jacque Marquette				Hernando de Cortes					Hernando de Soto	
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Vocabulary	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ <u>Terms:</u><ul style="list-style-type: none">○ navigate, technology, expedition, colony, colonization, northwest passage, trading, explore, profit, merchants, Muslim, tax, Christianity, spices, porcelain, silk, voyage, straight, expansion																														
Essential Skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ 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	<u>Social Studies</u> E. History E1. Historical Knowledge, Concepts, Themes, and Patterns Students understand various major eras in the history of the community, Maine, and the United States. b. Identify various major historical eras, major enduring themes, turning points, events, consequences, persons, and timeframes, in the history of the community, Maine, and the United States.
Sample Lessons And Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Create a timeline of major explorations studies. ▪ Complete a map showing the travels of explorers. ▪ Create a graphic organizer for significant contributions of the explorers studied.
Sample Classroom Assessment Methods	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Research and present the discoveries of a specific explorer.
Sample Resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <u>Publications:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <u>America Will Be</u> – Houghton Mifflin ○ <u>America's History of Land of Liberty</u> – Vivian Berenstein ○ <u>A History of the United States</u> – Joy Hakim
Technology Link	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ http://www.brunswick.k12.me.us/curriculum