4-2.1 What impact did the Columbian Exchange have on American culture?

The Columbian Exchange

Columbus' voyages to North America helped develop an exchange between the **Old World** (Europe, Africa and Asia) and the **New World** (North and South America) called the **Columbian Exchange**. This exchange had many positive and negative effects. It created different ways of life across the world.

Positive Effects of the Columbian Eychange



Negative Effects of the Columbian Eychange

The Columbian Exchange had many **positive effects**. European settlers from the Old World introduced **wheat**, **rice**, **coffee**, **horses**, **pigs**, **cows**, and **chickens** to lands in North America. Native Americans taught Europeans how to **grow corn**, **potatoes**, **peanuts**, **tomatoes**, and **squash** through teamwork and observations. The introduction of **horses** in the New World significantly affected the way Plains Native Americans moved and hunted. Horses allowed the Plains Native Americans to move faster to hunt and travel with buffalo. **Maize** and **manioc** from the New World replaced traditional African crops as Europe's most popular foods. **Sweet potatoes** and **maize** contributed to the population growth of Asia too.

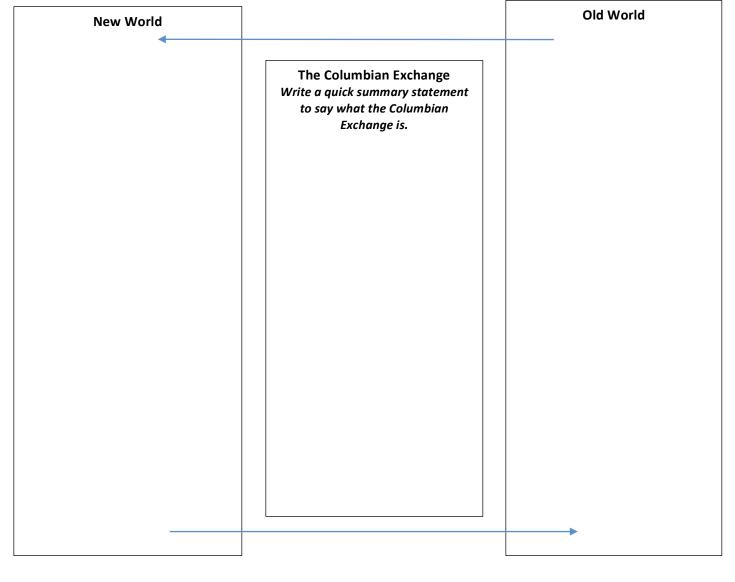
The Columbian Exchange also had many **negative effects**. One of the main negative effects of the Columbian Exchange was that **diseases**, such as diphtheria, measles, smallpox and malaria, carried by explorers and later the settlers, killed many Native Americans. When Native Americans died in large numbers from these diseases, European settlers needed a new source of slaves. Because so many Native Americans died, the demand for **African slaves** and the slave trade increased. The **exchange** of **plants**, **animals** and **diseases** is known as the **Columbian Exchange**.

Positive Effects of the Columbian Exchange	Negative Effects of the Columbian Exchange

4-2.1 What impact did the Columbian Exchange have on American culture?



Fill in the boxes with materials that were from each location.



The Spanish Colonists

Location The Spanish colonists settled modern-day Florida and southwestern parts of North America. This group of colonies became known as New Spain.



Motivation

Many of the explorations of the Spanish colonists were motivated by the search for **gold**.

Economic Activities

Spain established **missions** in St. Augustine and Santa Fe where Native Americans worked to make a **profit** for Spanish. The Spanish colonies also grew **cash crops** for exporting.

Religion

Religious emphasis often depended on the people and their motivations. The **Spanish missionaries** converted the native



people and established Roman Catholic missions.

Government

The government of the "mother country" (Spain) determined the type of government the Spanish colonies would have in the new world. The Spanish kings were absolute monarchs, so they Spanish colonies weren't allowed to govern themselves.

Lifestyles

Lifestyles varied based on the colony's origin and location. Many of the settlers learned to **trade** available natural resources. The Spanish colonies established **missions**, **forts**, and **ranches** as their major lifestyle. They were very **self-sufficient**.

The French Colonists

Location

The **French colonists** settled Quebec on the St. Lawrence River (Canada) and along the Mississippi River. They called this land **New France**. New France was sparsely settled, mainly by trapper/trader Frenchmen who occasionally visited trading posts or settlements.

Motivation

The French were motivated by **economics.** They wanted to trap and **trade fur** for a **profit**.

Economic Activities

The French colonist established fur trade with Native Americans so they could sell fur and pelts to Europe for a profit. New France also produced crops for themselves.



Religion

Religious emphasis often depended on the people and their motivations. French settlers often converted the Native Americans to **Catholicism**. The French government did not allow religious dissenters to settle in their colonies.

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Lifestyles varied based on the colony's origin and location. Many of the settlers learned to **trade** available natural resources. In the French colonies the settlers were welcomed by the Native Americans and developed **fur trade**.

The Dutch Colonists

The **Dutch** founded the colony of **New Netherland**, but didn't continue to settle. Eventually they were forced by the English to give up their colony and it became the English colonies of New York and New Jersey.

The New England Colonists

Location

The **New England colonists** settled on the **northeastern** coast of North America. These colonies included **Massachusetts**, **New Hampshire**, **Connecticut**, and **Rhode Island**.

Motivation

The New England colonists were motivated by **religious freedom**. The **Pilgrims** who settled in Plymouth, Massachusetts in 1620 went there to establish a model of **religious community**. They named this region **New England**.

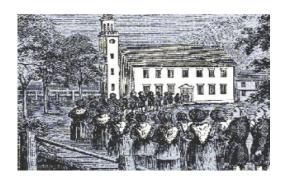


Economic Activities

All of the English colonies grew **cash crops** for **exporting**. New England colonies had **thick, rocky, soil** and a **cold climate**. They exported **lumber** and **built ships** to support their economies. By **importing** natural resources that were plentiful in North America and **exporting** goods from the mother country to the colonies, the colonies and their mother countries became **economically stronger** than their European rivals.

Religion

The first settlers in New England went there to establish a model religious community. The Puritans were English Protestants who wanted to "purify" the Church of England by eliminating all aspects of Catholicism from their religious practices. They founded the colony of Plymouth in Massachusetts where they practiced their new form of Protestantism. They enforced religious conformity and the meetinghouse was the center of the religious activity in their colonies.



Government

The English had a tradition of **legislative representations** in Parliament. They allowed the colonists to create their own laws in the English colonies, which largely shared all responsibility of government with governors and other administrators.

Lifestyles

Lifestyles varied based on the colony's origin and location. Many of the settlers learned to **trade available natural resources** such as lumber. Men worked as artisans or store owners in cities and towns. The **children** in the colonies enjoyed activities such as **hopscotch**, **jump rope**, **tag**, and **swimming**.

The Middle English Colonists

Location

The Middle English colonists settled on the central-eastern coast of North America. These colonies included New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and Delaware.

Motivation

They were motivated by **religious freedom**. **William Penn** gave **Quakers** and non-Quakers the opportunity to **practice their religion freely** and farm the land there.



Economic Activities

All of the English colonies grew **cash crops** for **exporting**. The English middle colonies exported foods to the Caribbean and other European countries. By **importing** natural resources that were plentiful in North America and **exporting** goods from the mother country to the colonies, the colonies and their mother countries became **economically stronger** than their European rivals.

Religion

Religious emphasis often depended on the people and their motivations. English settlers were mostly **Protestants. Quakers** who settled in **Pennsylvania** allowed others to practice their religion as they chose.

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Lifestyles

Lifestyles varied based on the colony's origin and location. Many of the settlers learned to **trade available natural resources.** Most of the men and women in the Middle colonies worked on family farms with servants



or slaves working alongside them. The **women** were also responsible for daily chores such as **cooking**, **cleaning**, and **sewing**. Men worked as **artisans** or store owners in cities and towns. Children received enough education to learn to read and write, but most did not continue with further education. Instead young boys learned specific trades from their fathers by watching them work. The **children** in the colonies enjoyed activities such as **hopscotch**, **jump rope**, **tag**, and **swimming**.

The Southern English Colonists

Location

The **Southern English colonists** settled on the **southern** coast of North America. These colonies included **Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina** and **Georgia.**

Motivation

The English colonists who settled Jamestown, Virginia in 1607 were motivated by **economics**. They originally hoped to find **gold**, but soon began to plant **cash crops** such as **tobacco**.

Economic Activities

All of the English colonies grew cash crops for exporting. The English southern colonies exported tobacco, rice, and indigo. By importing natural resources that were plentiful

Southern Colonies

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North
Carolina

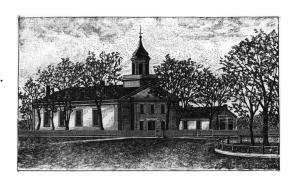
South
Carolina

Georgia

in North America and **exporting** goods from the mother country to the colonies, the colonies and their mother countries became **economically stronger** than their European rivals.

Religion

Religious emphasis often depended on the people and their motivations. English settlers were mostly **Protestants**. The English southern colonists had established **churches** in their communities. Most were Anglican/Church of England. Maryland was Catholic. However, they were more concerned with **profit** than with **religion**. This allowed the colonists the freedom to make their own **religious choices**.



Government

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Lifestyles

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	Location	Motivation	Economic Activities	Religion	Government	Lifestyles
Spanish Colonies						
French Colonies						

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New England Colonies						
Middle Colonies						
Southern Colonies						



4-2.3 How did Africans change the culture and economy of North America?

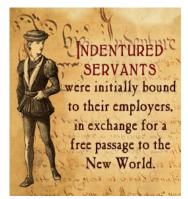
The Introduction of Slavery

Slavery was introduced into North America because as large farms and plantations were established in the English colonies, the landowners needed **workers** to help to **plant** and **harvest cash crops**. At first they tried to **enslave** the **Native Americans**. However, this created tension between the colonists and the Native Americans. The Native Americans also knew the land so well they were able to easily **escape**.



Indentured Servants

Indentured servants were brought from **England** and had a significant impact on the colonies. They came to the new world because colonists continued to need **workers** to help in **planting** and **harvesting cash crops**,



such as tobacco and rice. **Poor people** from **England** came to the colonies for a couple of reasons. Some people had been **displaced** from their land in England and **needed work**, or others wanted a **better** or **changed life** in a different place. The colonists and indentured servants signed a **contract** in which they agreed that

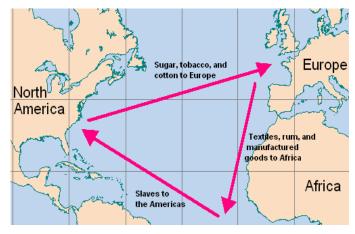
the **servant** would **work** for the land owners for a **certain amount of years** in exchange for **food, clothing, shelter,** and most importantly passage to the **New World**. The landowners were able to secure more land because they **paid** the **passage** of the indentured servants. Often the landowner **didn't live up to the contract** and **abused** and

mistreated the indentured servant. The indentured servants hoped that once their time of indenture was over, they would have the opportunity to **own their own land**. Once they were free, many moved to the **backcountry** of the colonies in order to **claim** their **land**. When the number of potential indentured servants was no longer enough to fill the need for fieldworkers, colonists turned to using **slave labor** from **Africa**.



Triangular Trade

Slaves were brought to North America through triangular trade. Trade routes followed patterns depending on the demand of exporting and importing goods. The routes were taken between North American colonies, Europe, Africa, and West Indies. For example, on one route sugar was purchased in the West Indies and transported to New England to be made into rum. The rum was then shipped to Africa to be exchanged for slaves. The slaves were then taken to the West Indies and sold or exchanged for sugar



cane. The sugar was taken back to **New England** to produce more **rum** and the cycle continued. **Cash crops** grown in the English colonies like **rice**, **tobacco**, and **indigo**, were sold in **Europe** in exchange for **manufactured goods** that could not be produced in the colonies. This was known as **mercantilism** – the belief in the benefits of profitable trading.

4-2.3 How did Africans change the culture and economy of North America?

The Middle Passage

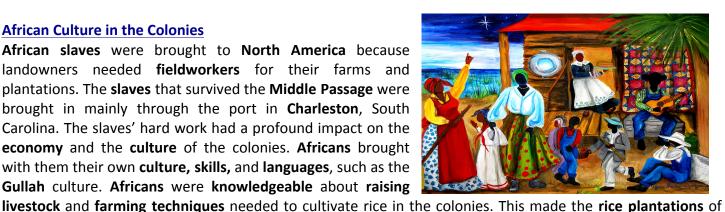
The part of the slave's journey aboard the ship between Africa and North America is known as the Middle Passage. Africans were kidnapped by other tribes in Africa and were marched from their homes in the interior of Africa to the coast of West Africa. There, they boarded the slave ships where they were traded or sold to



the ship's captain. The ship's captain then held them there until they could **fill** the **cargo hold** of the ship. If they even survived this part of the journey, then they had to endure the most horrible part - the Middle Passage. The Middle Passage refers to the inhumane conditions aboard the ships. Since the **slave trade** was conducted for **profit**, the ship captains of the slave ships tried to deliver a maximum number of slaves for minimum cost. Africans were imprisoned as cargo in a tight, dark and dirty space below the ship's deck. They received little food and exercise while abroad the slave ship. Many slaves did not survive the Middle Passage.

African Culture in the Colonies

African slaves were brought to North America because landowners needed fieldworkers for their farms and plantations. The slaves that survived the Middle Passage were brought in mainly through the port in **Charleston**, South Carolina. The slaves' hard work had a profound impact on the economy and the culture of the colonies. Africans brought with them their own **culture**, **skills**, and **languages**, such as the Gullah culture. Africans were knowledgeable about raising



South Carolina profitable. Without African skills and labor, the economy of the Southern colonies would not have developed these cash crops.

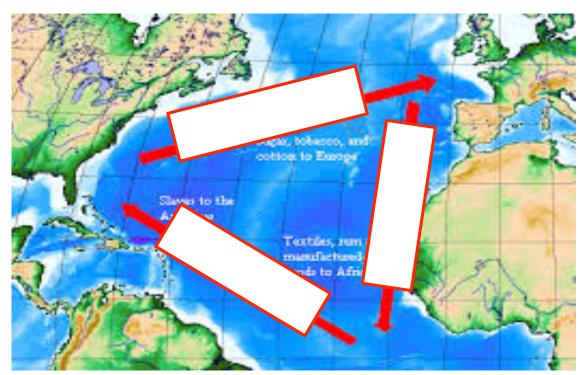
Africans also impacted the cooking styles of the southern colonies, and later the United States. Slaves often prepared meals for themselves and the slave owners. They introduced more variety in preparation than stewing and spit-roasting. They added greens and other vegetables to the plantation owners' meats and starch diets, thus improving the health of slave owners and colonists. Since Africans came from different tribal groups and spoke no English when arriving in the colonies, some developed dialects such as Gullah. Gullah was a spoken language of Africans that

developed in the Sea Islands off the coast of South Carolina and Georgia. Other customs such as making sea grass baskets and music were important to the slaves in bringing a piece of their African culture into the new world. Slave owners began to feel threatened by this growing population of slaves. Slave owners then decided to implement slave codes to regulate the behavior of slaves in the colonies.

Some slaves in the north were able to work additional jobs in order to purchase their freedom. A child born to a mother in slavery would become a slave. However, if a mother's freedom was purchased, then her children would also become free. Many free Africans found work in the north as artisans and apprentices. Later, some slaves would fight in the American Revolution in hopes of receiving freedom in return for fighting for the colonies.

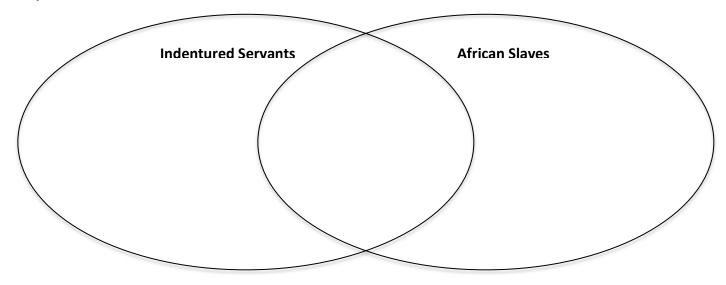
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Title: _____



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- **2.** Label the following on the map:
 - North America
 - West Indies
 - Europe
 - Africa
- **3.** Label the following on the arrows:
 - Manufactured goods
 - Enslaved Africans
 - Raw materials

Compare and contrast Indentured Servants and African Slaves.



Social impact of Africans on North American culture	Economic impact of Africans on North American culture

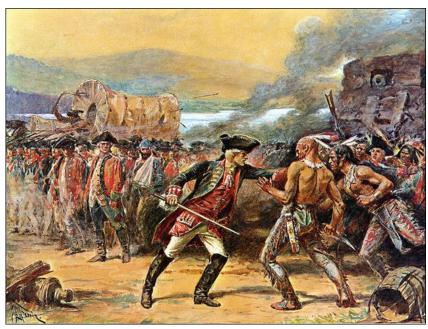
Conflict and Cooperation

Conflict and **cooperation** between the **Native Americans, Europeans,** and **Africans** influenced life in the new world. At first, Native **Americans helped the colonists** in Virginia and Plymouth to survive the first years by

teaching them to plant crops such as tobacco and corn. But as more settlers came to the New World for land, the Native Americans began to **resist** them.

Native Americans and Colonists

Many wars were fought between the colonists and the Native Americans. With Robert LaSalle's claim, the French had moved into the Ohio River Valley to claim this land for France. The English colonists and their mother country (England) then went to war with the French and their colonists in order to protect their claims. Many Native American tribes fought on the side of the French against the colonists and the



British. This major **conflict** resulted in a series of **four wars** spanning over 74 years and fought on three different continents. The last of these series of wars is known as the **French and Indian War**.



The French established good working relationships with the Native Americans because of their fur trading. Because few French settlers came to the New World and the ones who came did not take much land for families or settlement, the French did not bother the Native Americans as the English colonists did. Most Native American groups allied with the French. They hoped that a French victory (in the French and Indian War) would **stop** the English colonies from expanding into the Appalachian Mountains. However with the help of the Iroquois, Catawba and the Cherokee tribes, the British won the French and Indian War. This forced the French to lose control of their **North American land** claims. Many Native Americans then lost their long term trading partners and military allies with the French.

Slaves and Colonists

Plantation owners considered slaves to be their **property** and were often **sold** without warning. **Slaves** wanted to gain their **freedom** from plantation owners. Some slaves rebelled against the poor living conditions and abusive treatment of their slave owners. They would **rebel** by holding **slave revolts**. However, slave revolts like South Carolina's Stono Rebellion were mostly unsuccessful. Some slaves were discovered before the revolt could be carried out. Others were quickly and brutally put down. Because slaves tried to rebel against their abusive owners, colonists then created slave codes. The slave codes were used to control and monitor the **behavior** of **slaves** in the colonies. The codes



included **rules** such as **limited** slave **education**, **purchases**, and ability to **sell goods**. Slaves were also **not allowed** to **travel** without their **master's permission**. **Such revolts** also made the slave owners and the colonists more **fearful** of the enslaved African population because the **slave population** already **outnumbered** the **free population** (colonists). In order prevent the slaves from continually revolting; some slave owners used **violence** and **intimidation**. Although **slaves** continued to **resist** their **captivity** through work slowdowns, faked



illnesses, breaking tools, and running away; most were unsuccessful escaping slavery. Some escape slaves did the slavery bonds of heading North. Still some in the North were able to work to purchase their freedom and the freedom of other slaves. These free Africans were able to find work as artisans apprentices in the New **England** colonies.

Slaves and Native Americans

There was some **cooperation** between **slaves** and **Native Americans**. For instance, **runaway slaves** in South Carolina fled to Florida where they **joined Native American tribes**. However, some Native Americans tribes adopted the practice of slavery themselves and **enslaved** the runaway slaves anyways.

4-2.4 How did the relationship between Native Americans, Europeans, and Africans impact settlement?

Political impacts on settlement	Economic impacts on settlement	Geographical impacts on settlement	Social impacts on settlement

Native Americans cooperated with the French	Native Americans had conflict with the British
because	because
Why did the British win the French and Indian War?	Why do you think it is called the French and Indian War?

4-2.4 How did the relationship between Native Americans, Europeans, and Africans impact settlement?

What were some examples of conflict between the slaves and colonists ?	What were examples of cooperation between slaves and Native Americans?
What were examples of conflict between slaves and Native Americans ?	Why do you think there was so much conflict between the colonists and the slaves?

Cause	Effect
The French claimed land for their country.	
	Native Americans fought on both sides during the
	war.
The French lost the French and Indian War.	
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