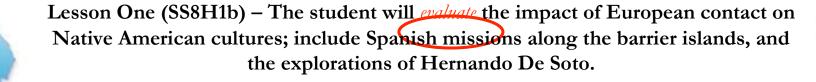




EXPLORATION

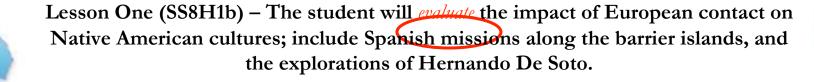
While the Native American traditions were developing in America, European nations were in competition with one another for wealth and military might.







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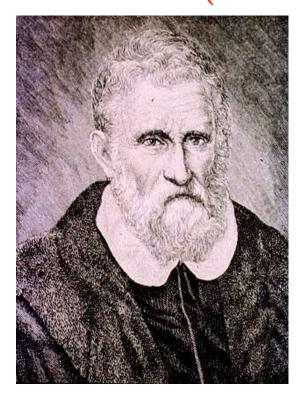


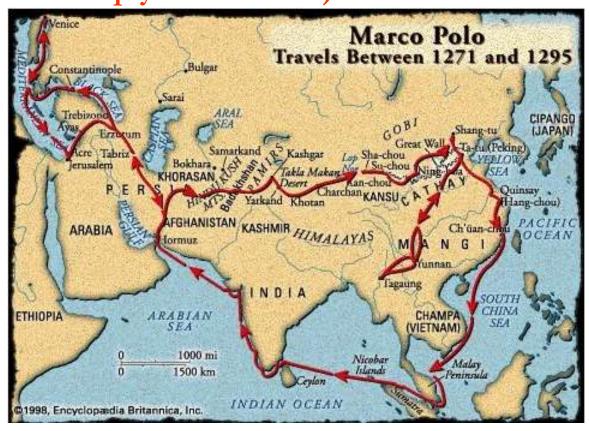


ENGLAND



In the 1200's, explorer Marco Polo traveled the known world and brought news of fantastic riches and spices in the east (the east was simply called India).





For centuries, Europeans traveled Polo's route – the Silk Road – to trade with the East.



By the 1400s, the Silk Road was controlled by Muslims and was infested with bandits. It was no longer safe for Europeans to travel the Silk Road.



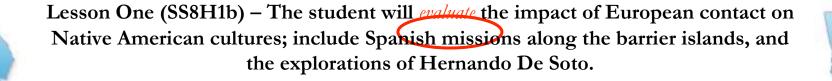
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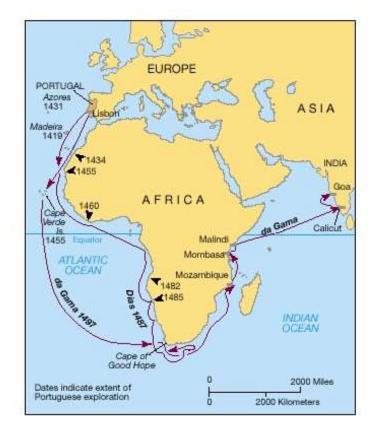


Prince Henry "the Navigator", ruler of Portugal, was committed to being the first to reach India by sea.





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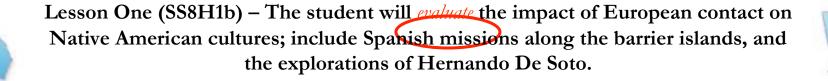


Portuguese explorers moved gradually down the coast of Africa and ultimately reached western India in their search for gold, spices, and slaves.

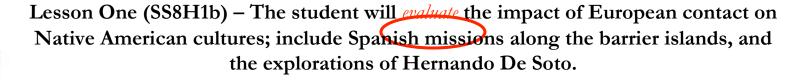
Alarmed by Portugal's early success, the Spanish rulers,

King Ferdinand and Queen Isabella, were desperate to find a water route to India. To help Spain, they hired Christopher Columbus.





Columbus believed that the earth was much smaller than most people believed, and that Asia was much larger. He believed the quickest way to India was to sail west.

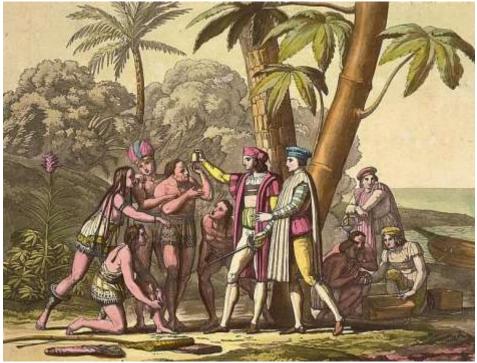




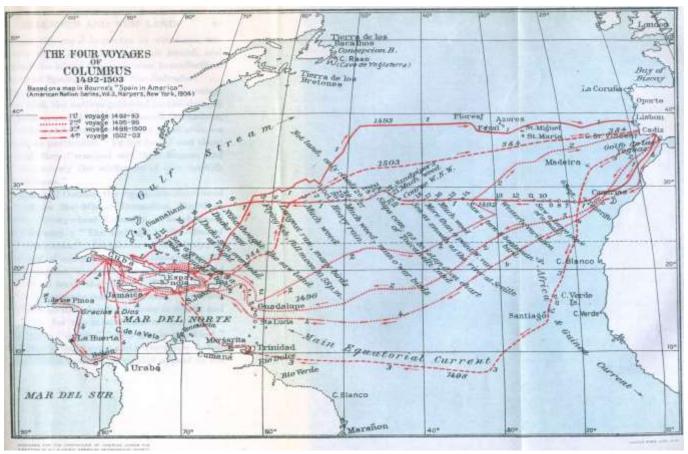


On October 12, 1492, Columbus landed on the island of

San Salvador, off the coast of North America. Believing he had found India, he called the inhabitants *Indians*.



In all, Columbus made four trips to North America, but he always believed, until he died, that he had found India.



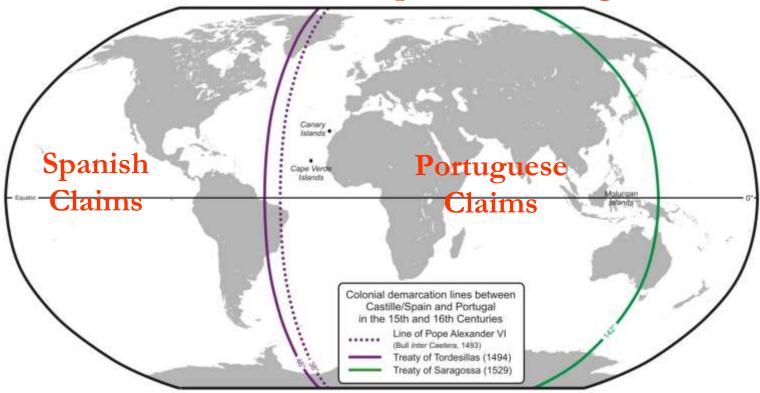
The rulers of Spain, however, soon realized that Columbus had discovered a "New World." They began to send

Spanish explorers, called <u>conquistadors</u> (conquerers), to take control of their newly discovered lands.



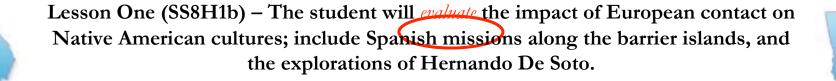
To prevent a war for empire between two Catholic nations, the head of the church, Pope Alexander VI, drew the

Line of Demarcation in 1493, dividing the unexplored world between Spain and Portugal.

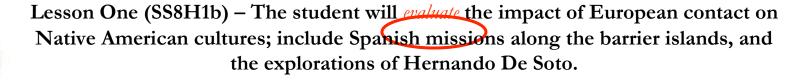


Without realizing it, Pope Alexander VI ensured that, for at least the next century, Spain would be the dominant world power.

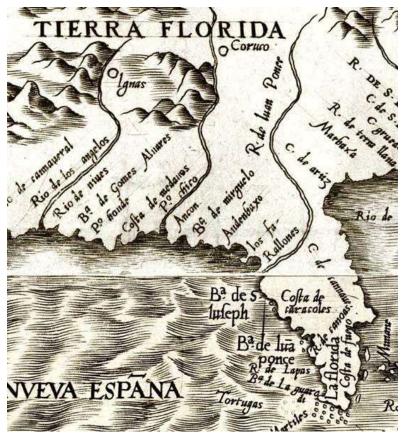




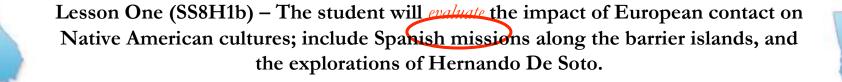
The Spanish claimed all of the lands in the "New World" and named it La Florida ("the island of flowers" – early Spanish explorers believed Florida was an island).







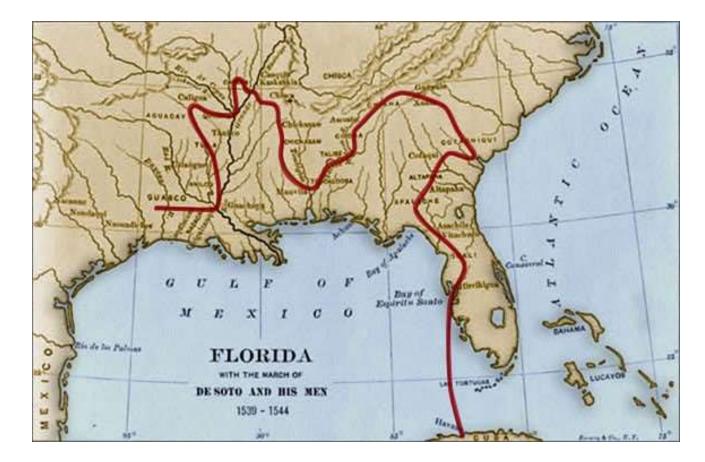
In 1540, Hernando De Soto, with 600 conquistadors, became the first European to explore the interior of Georgia.





Leaving the Spanish base in the Caribbean, he marched across the entire southeast in search of gold, became the first to look upon the Mississippi River, and was ultimately killed by hostile Indians.











In 1565, the Spanish moved their colonial capital to St. Augustine, on the Florida peninsula. From there, they began to set up <u>missions</u> on the Atlantic Coast in order to convert the Indians to Catholicism.







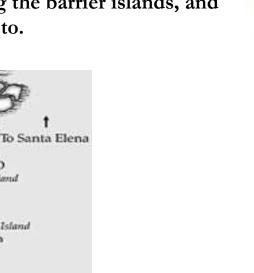


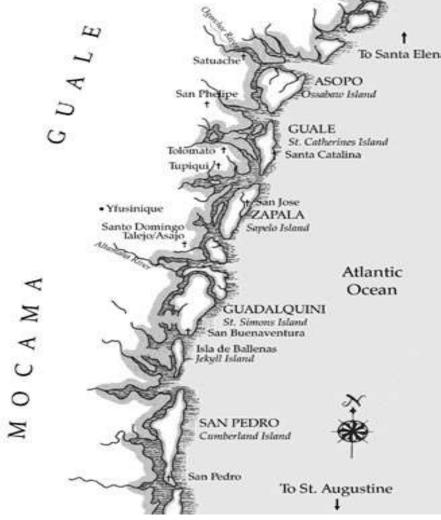


Spanish missions were established throughout Georgia's barrier islands, including Cumberlain, St. Simons, and Sapelo Islands.











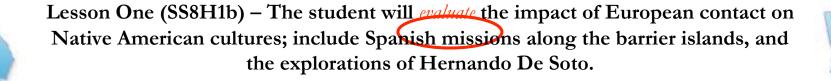


Unfortunately, the Spanish presence had many terrible, <u>unintended</u> <u>consequences</u>, for the Native American cultures, permanently changing them.

1. Native Americans were often forced to accept European religion.

2. Thousands of Native Americans were enslaved by the conquering Spanish and relocated to other Spanish colonies.

3. Perhaps millions of Native Americans were killed by Spanish weapons and, more significantly, Spanish diseases like smallpox.



4. Some tribes (ex., the Careb & Arawok) were killed into extinction.



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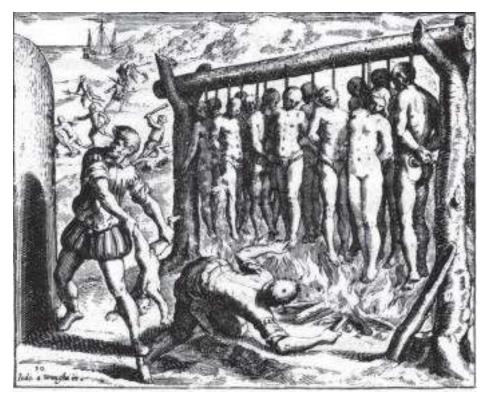


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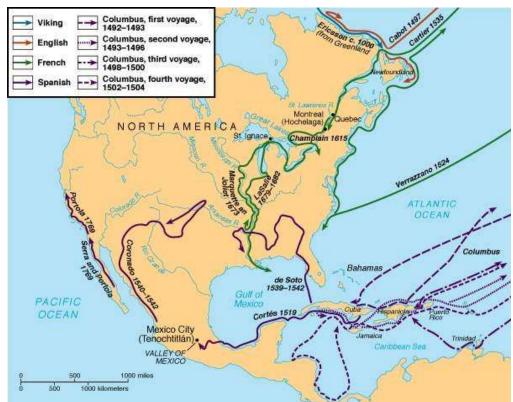




Other nations, particularly France and England, were not willing to allow Spain *alone* to benefit from gains in the

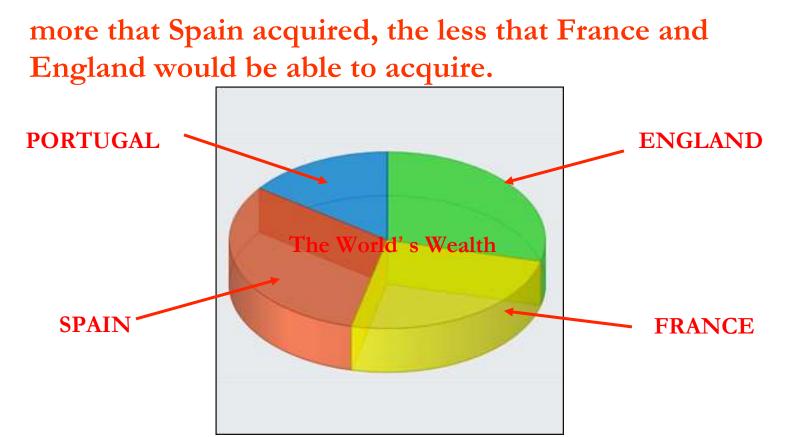


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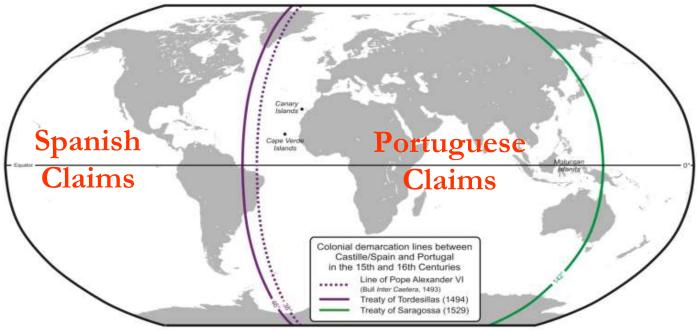
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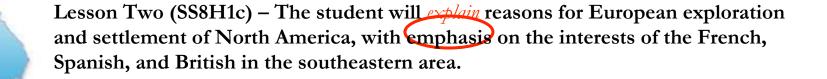




PORTUGUESE EXPLORATION IN NORTH AMERICA

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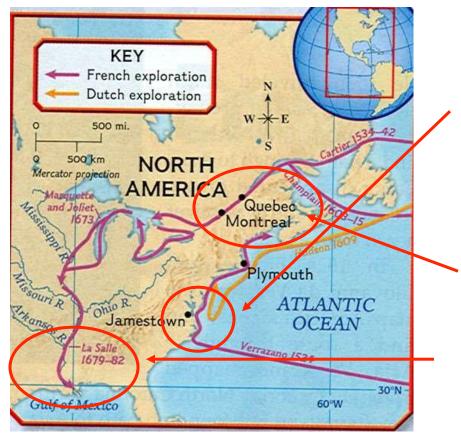




FRENCH EXPLORATION IN NORTH AMERICA

The French ignored Spain's claim to all of "America" and began to send explorers of their own.



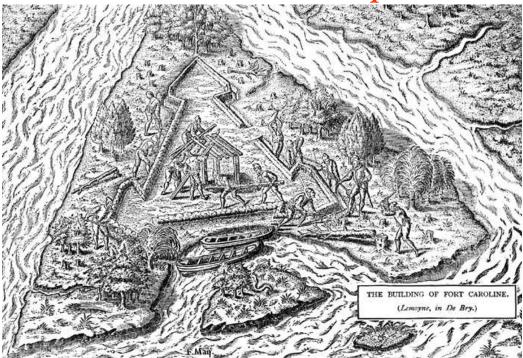


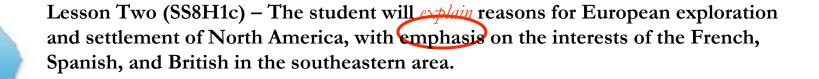
- The French Explorer, Verrazano, explored the North American coast in 1524, possibly reaching Georgia.
- In 1603, Samuel de Champlain founded a very profitable fur trade in North America. He called his settlement Quebec and claimed much of North America for France, calling it "New France."
- In 1682, Sieur de La Salle claimed the Mississippi River region for France, establishing New Orleans and Mobile.

The French were unable

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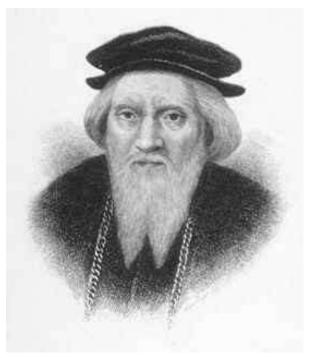


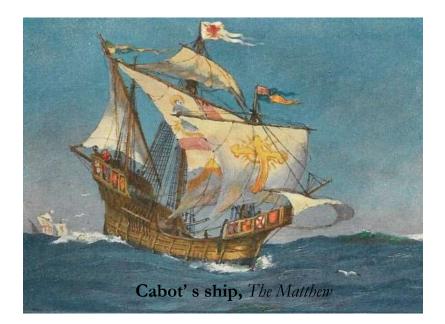


ENGLISH EXPLORATION IN NORTH AMERICA

In 1497, the English ignored Spain's claims to the "New World" and explorer John Cabot to North America. Cabot told of bountiful fish and massive forests, but his explorations were a failure after he was lost at sea.







With limited money and distracted by problems at home, the English would not return to the "New World" for over a hundred years.

In the 1530's, English King Henry VIII forced the Catholic Church out of England and declared himself to be the leader of the Church of England (or the Anglican



Church).



Spain considered it its national and Christian duty to conquer England and force it to return to the Catholic Church.



In 1588, the largest fleet in human history, the Spanish Armada, was launched in order to invade and conquer England.



In one of the great military failures in all of human history, the Spanish Armada was trapped in a ferocious sea storm and was destroyed, nearly in its entirety.





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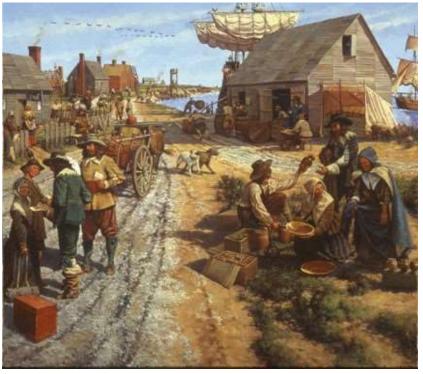


England, now ruled by Queen Elizabeth I, was in a position to take advantage of Spanish weakness and emerge as the new world power.



By 1607, the first permanent English settlement was established at Jamestown.





By the 1660's, England had established 12 colonies along the eastern coast of North America.





In 1732, on the eve of the founding of Georgia, North America was divided between the claims of three nations.







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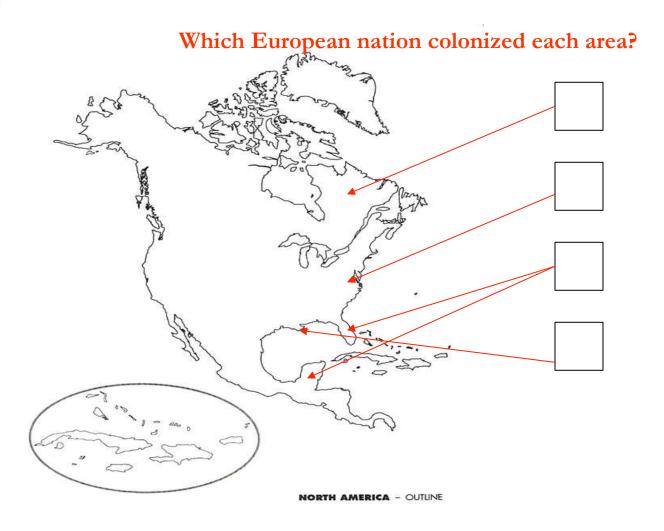
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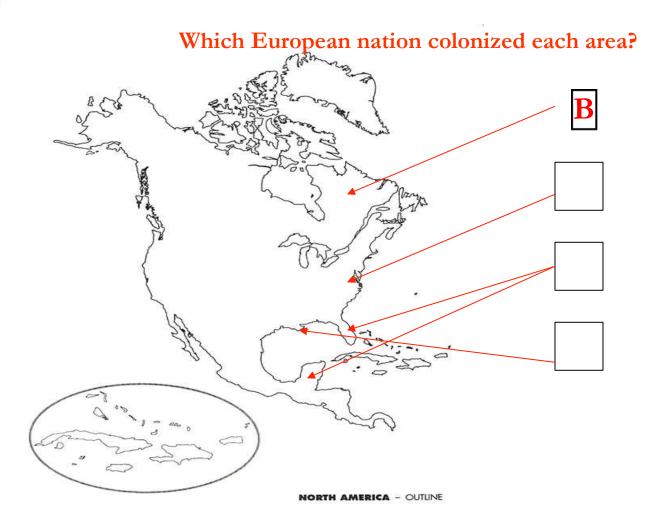
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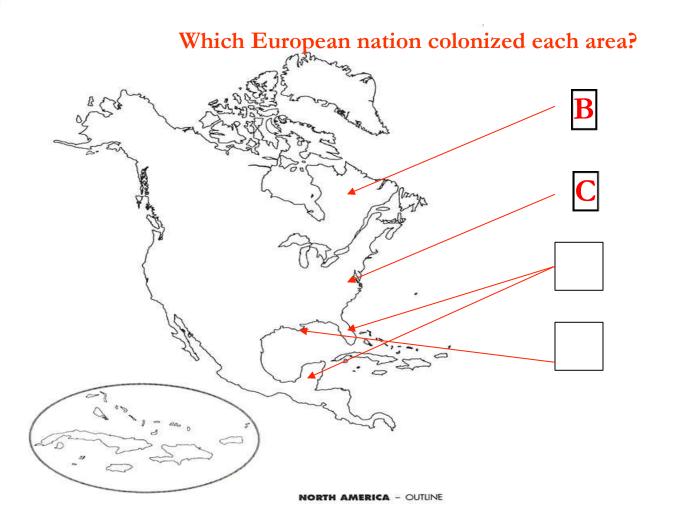
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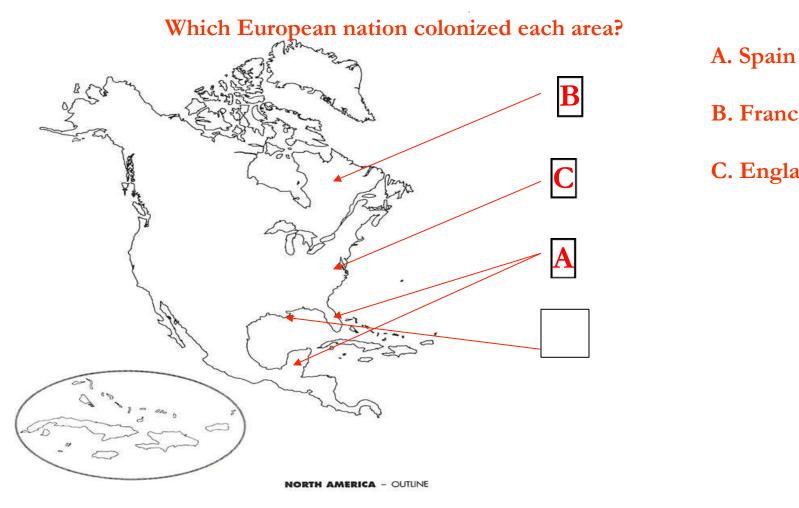
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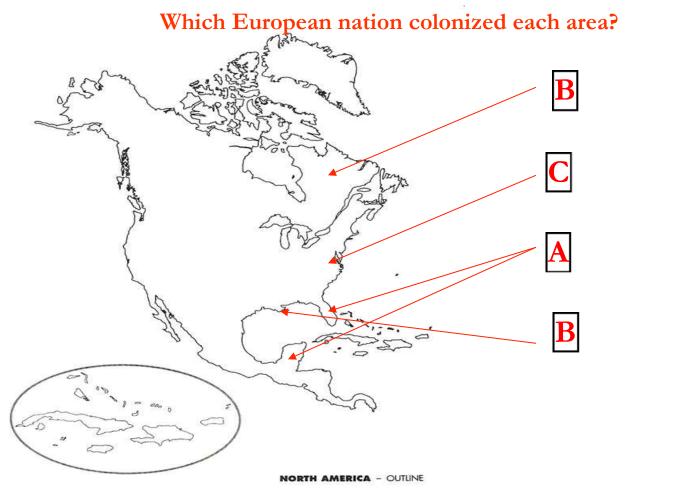
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