History(Colonization and Independence) Grade 8 SS Grade 8 SS

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Unit Overview	Content Elaborations	Unit Resources
Students will understand European countries	*There were many different American Indian	* Graphic organizer to compare the economic
established colonies in North America as a	cultures inhabiting North America prior to the	and religious reasons for exploration and
means of increasing wealth and power while	arrival of Europeans.	colonization among the European countries.
the English colonies developed their own	-	
governments and economics, they resisted	*Economic reasons behind the European	*Role Play as an influential person from one of
domination by the monarchy, rebelled and	exploration of North America include the	these colonial powers: Great Britain, France,
fought for independence.	pursuit for new trade routes to Asia, the quest	Spain, or the Netherlands
	for new opportunities and the search for	
	resources.	WEBSITE
	*The religious reasons for Europeans coming	Motivations for English Colonization
	to North America, which include religious	C C
	persecution, utopia, and coverting American	
	Indians to Christianity.	
Unit Vocabulary	Enduring Understandings (Big Ideas)	Connections
See book for additional vocabulary terms	Students will explain the economic and	
	religious reasons for the exploration and	
	colonization of North America by Europeans.	

Student Assessment	Unit Refection