

New Jersey Department of Education
2006 Social Studies Standards Implementation Guide (SIG)

6.4 (UNITED STATES AND NEW JERSEY HISTORY) ALL STUDENTS WILL DEMONSTRATE KNOWLEDGE OF UNITED STATES AND NEW JERSEY HISTORY IN ORDER TO UNDERSTAND LIFE AND EVENTS IN THE PAST AND HOW THEY RELATE TO THE PRESENT AND FUTURE.

Grade 12

6.4.12 D. Colonization & Settlement (1585-1763 A.D)

1. Analyze the major issues of the colonial period, including European hegemony over North America and mercantilism and trade.
2. Analyze how American colonial experiences caused change in the economic institutions of Europe, Africa, and the native population by examining indentured servitude and slavery and the rights of men and women.
3. Analyze the cultural reactions and survival techniques used by enslaved Africans to maintain their family structure, culture, and faith.
4. Analyze the political, religious, social, and economic institutions that emerged in colonial New Jersey.
5. Discuss Spanish exploration, settlement, and missions in the American Southwest.



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Framework97 References

“Evaluate the views, beliefs, and impact of different social groups on given historical event or issue,” p 183-184
“Argue an ethical position regarding a dilemma from the study of key turning points in history.” pp. 189-190

National History Standard

Standard 1. Interaction of Americas, Europe & Africa after 1450
Standard 5. European Economic Life; its effect on American Colonies & how enslaved Africans reshaped European, American & African life

Content Overview

This section covers again (less extensively but with more depth) the American

Colonial period form 1558-1763. The major topics are the European presence in North America and effect of the policy of mercantilism on the various economies; survival strategies of slaves; lives of the people in early New Jersey, and Spanish exploration and settlement of the American Southwest.

Essential Questions

Why did European nations begin to explore foreign lands?
What were the three worlds which converged? How was each affected?
What was mercantilism and whom did it affect?
How did Native societies and enslaved Africans cope with the colonization experience?
What were the roles of men and women in Colonial America?

Teaching Resources

Kid Info: www.kidinfo.com/American_History/Colonization_Colonial_Life.html.
Lots of information about the lives of the colonists.
Most American History texts today come with a test-item collection and in some cases a TestGen or Test Generator disc. These are invaluable sources. See the Test Item File for "The American Journey" or the Test Item File for "Out of Many" among others.

Assessment

Students compare and contrast conditions people came to in colonial times in this country versus conditions related to immigration today.