

What is Colonialism?





They're the only countries that haven't been
invaded by the British Empire!

What we will
learn today:

What is colonialism?

What countries were the
major colonizers?

What countries were
colonized?

What is Colonialism?

Definition: Colonialism is a system in which one country establishes and maintains **political**, **economic**, and **social** control over other territories or regions, often for the purpose of **exploitation** or **domination**.

Examples:

British Colonialism: India - Colonized by Britain in the 19th century

French Colonialism: Algeria - Colonized by France in the 19th century

Major Colonizing Countries

- Britain
- France
- Spain
- Portugal
- Italy
- Germany
- Belgium
- The Netherlands



World Map Worksheet

Snapshot of Colonialism (not everything included)

Part 1: Label continents

Part 2: Label countries

Part 3: Identify European colonizers

Part 4: Identify countries that were colonized

Scramble for Africa

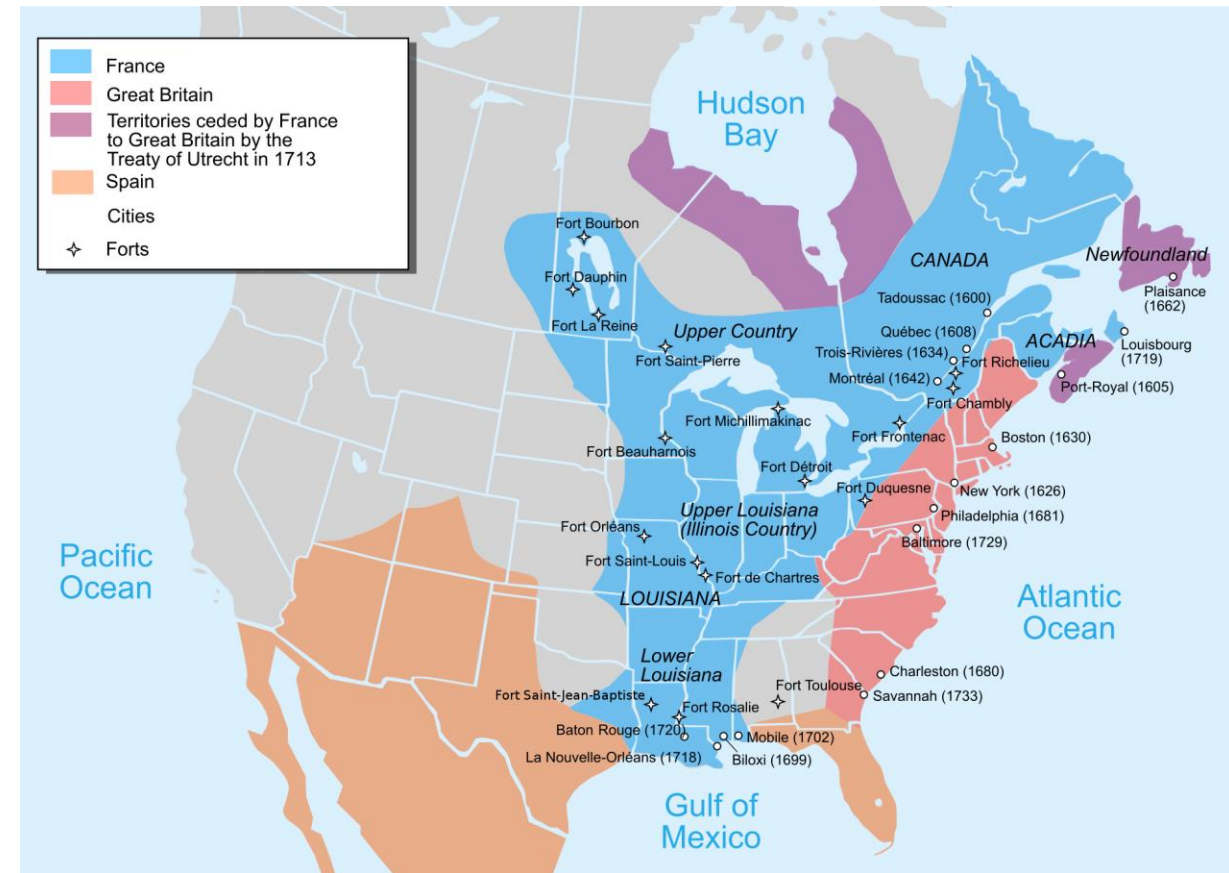
- In the 1800s, European powers divided almost the entire continent of Africa amongst themselves
- After WWII, there was a movement to “decolonize” but over a century of colonial rule has created ongoing political, economic, and social issues



Canada as a Colonized Country

Canada's colonial history involves the colonization of Indigenous lands by European powers, primarily the French and British.

French colonization began in the early 1600s in areas such as Quebec, while the British came later and took control. Canada continues to be ruled by a colonial governmental system.



Brazil as a Colonized Country

Brazil's colonial history started in the early 16th century when Portuguese explorers established settlements for resource extraction, particularly sugarcane. It remained a Portuguese colony until gaining independence in 1822.



Vietnam as a Colonized Country

Vietnam's colonial history includes French colonization in the 19th century, which began with the establishment of French Indochina.

Vietnam remained under French colonial rule until it declared independence in 1945, leading to conflicts such as the First Indochina War and eventually the Vietnam War with the United States.



Review Questions: <https://create.kahoot.it/details/039594e8-d509-4495-876e-0fd797a8a532>

1. Brazil was primarily colonized by which European nation?

A) Spain B) France C) Portugal D) Britain

2. Canada's colonial history involves colonization by which two European powers?

A) Spain and France B) France and Britain

C) Portugal and Germany D) Italy and Netherlands

3. Which country colonized Vietnam in the 19th century?

A) Italy B) France C) Germany D) Spain

4. Which of the following countries was a major colonizer?

A) Britain B) Mexico C) Brazil D) Vietnam



Case Study: Ghana

Case Study: The Impact of Colonization on Ghana

What was it like to live as a colonial subject?

Of course, there many differing experiences, but we can get some answers by looking closely at Ghana as a case study.

Watch the video on class website to answer the discussion questions



The Impact of Colonization on Ghana: A History

1. When did British colonial rule begin in the region now called Ghana?
2. What was the Customs House used for? How did it help the British make money?
3. How did some Ghanaian workers at the Customs House resist British control?
4. Why did the British build railways in Ghana? How did Ghanaian farmers avoid using them and keep more control over their trade?
5. How did tro-tros begin? Why did the British call them “pirate passenger lorries”?
6. What do the plaques and seating at Holy Trinity Church show about colonial society in Ghana?



Primary Source Investigation

Indigenous Responses to
State Expansion

Primary Sources Investigation

What is a source?

A **source** is a piece of information, or a reference used to gather information about a particular topic.

What is a primary source?

A **primary source** is an original or firsthand piece of information created or produced during the time or event being studied, such as diaries, letters, or photographs.

What is a secondary source?

A **secondary source** is a document or resource that analyzes, interprets, or summarizes primary sources or events, offering insights or commentary from a later perspective, like textbooks or history documentaries.

Primary Sources Investigation

What to do:

1. Select a primary source to start with
2. Identify the relevant information and complete the chart
3. Share information with your partner or continue to the next resource
4. Complete the sections for all 5 documents
5. Answer the reflection questions on the other side of the worksheet

Collaborative Learning Option

- You'll split the work, but both of you must contribute
- Ask questions, teach each other, and learn more together

Independent Study Option

- You'll do all the work yourself
- You might learn less without discussion, but you can focus and work at your own pace