

Europe's Rise and the Creation of Maritime Empires

What is a Maritime Empire?

What kind of technology helped Europeans to create their maritime empires?

What motivated Europeans to explore the oceans?

The Consequences of European Maritime Voyages & Empires

What was the Columbian Exchange? Who was it named after?

What were some of the most significant exchanges due to the Columbian Exchange?

Coerced Labor in the Americas

Why did Europeans use enslaved Africans for labor in the Americas?

What was the Encomienda System?

What was a Hacienda?

What was Repartimiento or Mita?

What was indentured servitude?

Why did Europeans think that chattel slavery from Africa was a better labor system?

Economic Systems

What was mercantilism?

What was the connection between mercantilism and European states creating colonies?

European Empires

How was the Portuguese empire different from most other European states?

How did the British and Dutch governments support exploration and colonization in a new and innovative way?

What was the Casta System that developed in Latin America?