**UNIT IV NATIVE AMERICAN HISTORY SUPPLEMENTAL RESOURCES**

**Learning Focus**

In this unit, you will be studying the earliest centuries of European expansion into the Americas and the effects of this expansion on Native American cultures. In the previous unit, we discussed a very important effect known as the Columbian Exchange, which was the introduction of new plants, animals, and diseases to the Americas after the arrival of the Europeans.

We will begin by examining some of the earliest French, Dutch, and English explorers who paved the way for European colonization of the Americas. Next, we will take examine each country's goals for colonization and the methods they used. After this, we will be examining European efforts to develop trade with Native Americans as well as to engage in missionary activities with indigenous societies.

We will turn next to the conflicts known as the Beaver Wars, discussing the causes of the conflict, the various phases of the war, and the fragile peace that briefly brought a reduction in conflict. We will end the unit by specifically studying changes to Native American cultures as a result of increased interaction with Europeans. We will examine three particular regions as case studies: the Eastern Woodlands, the Great Plains, and the American Southwest.

**Unit 4 Essential Questions:** Upon the completion of this unit, you will be able to do the following:

1. Identify the different goals of and methods used by major European powers in the Americas.
2. Appraise the sources of conflict between European powers and Native Americans.
3. Explain how European colonization affected Native American cultures.

**Unit 4 - Reading Questions and Test Review**

**4.1 Guiding Questions:**

Who were some of the earliest Europeans in eastern North America?

What were the early goals and methods used by the French, English, and Dutch in North America?

**4.2 Guiding Questions:**

What were the early forms of trading between Europeans and Native Americans?

What types of early missionary activities by Europeans occurred in eastern North America?

How did trade and missionary activities complement each other, and how did they conflict with each other?

**4.3 Guiding Questions:**

What were the causes of the Beaver Wars?

How did the Beaver Wars change Native American politics and culture?

What ended the Beaver Wars?

**4. 4 Guiding Questions:**

What changes occurred in Native American cultures in the 17th and 18th centuries?

How did European colonization change Native American politics?

What are some examples of direct conflict between Native Americans and Europeans?

# Native American societies before contact

# <https://www.khanacademy.org/humanities/us-history/precontact-and-early-colonial-era/before-contact/v/native-american-societies-before-contact>

# The Natives and the English - Crash Course US History #3

# <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TTYOQ05oDOI>

# The New England Colonies and the Native Americans

# <https://www.nationalgeographic.org/article/new-england-colonies-and-native-americans/>

# Politics and native relations in the New England colonies

# <https://www.khanacademy.org/humanities/us-history/colonial-america/colonial-north-america/v/politics-and-native-relations-in-the-new-england-colonies>

# French and Dutch exploration in the New World

<https://www.khanacademy.org/humanities/us-history/colonial-america/early-english-settlement/a/french-and-dutch-exploration>

# French and Dutch colonization

<https://www.khanacademy.org/humanities/us-history/colonial-america/early-english-settlement/v/french-and-dutch-colonization>

# Great Lakes Indigenous People

# <https://www.mnhs.org/furpost/learn/french>

# The Dutch Influence in New Netherland

# <https://www.nationalgeographic.org/activity/the-dutch-influence-in-new-netherland/>

# Beaver Wars

# <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EP5kEAIIg9g>