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# 1 | Talking about the Essay

See Intersection Essay Prep.

### 1.1 | File Organization

- Take a look at "Colonial America, notes", which are the notes of the class
- A PDF of the slides are also available

### 1.2 | When is the draft due?

IDK. He still won't tell. :(

### 2 | European Colonization

A "world-wide imperial contest", a global political competition. Not primarily motivated by spreading **democracy**, its about Monies.

- Spanish: started the conquest, for the Spanish armada
- English: bubbling, for minor economic modivation
- French: interested in fur, and trying to maximize gain and investment

So, compare and contrast the three systems.

## **∃** | Voyages of Discovery

### 3.1 | Motivations

- Rise of a business oriented class
- · Pooling of resources for investment
- Tech: astrolabe, maps, compass, better ships, etc.

### 3.2 | Mercantilism

A pair-relationship between colonies:

- · Mother Country provides...
  - Finished products
  - Protection
  - Governance
- Colonies provides...
  - · Raw materials
  - · Monopolies on market
  - Loyalty

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### 4 | Colonizers

### 4.1 | **Russians!**

Russia traveling from west => east; competing with the northern going group.

### 4.2 | Spain!

"Superpower" built upon the Spanish Navy (the "armada.")

- Mission: churches religions and cultures (supposed to be self-sufficient)
- · Presidio: military gates and posts
- · Pueblos: living

### 4.2.1 | Goals

- · Find Gold!
- · Acquire Land!
- · Develop Trade!
- · Christian conversion (mostly to get papal decree

### 4.2.2 | Weaknesses

- Spanish empire stretched pretty thin
- · Did not allow others to come trade, which means limited

# 5 | Colonized

- No respect for Native American cultures or strategies of land use
- Every mission courtyard had a place where those who disobeyed where wipped
- Father Junipero Serra: think that the native were "childlike" and required education