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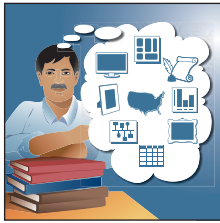
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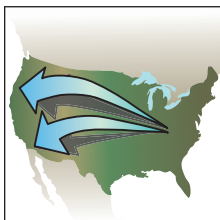
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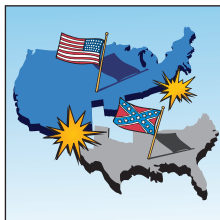
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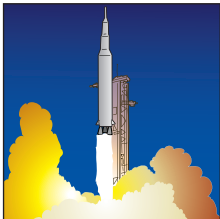
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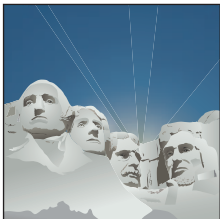
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Explore History





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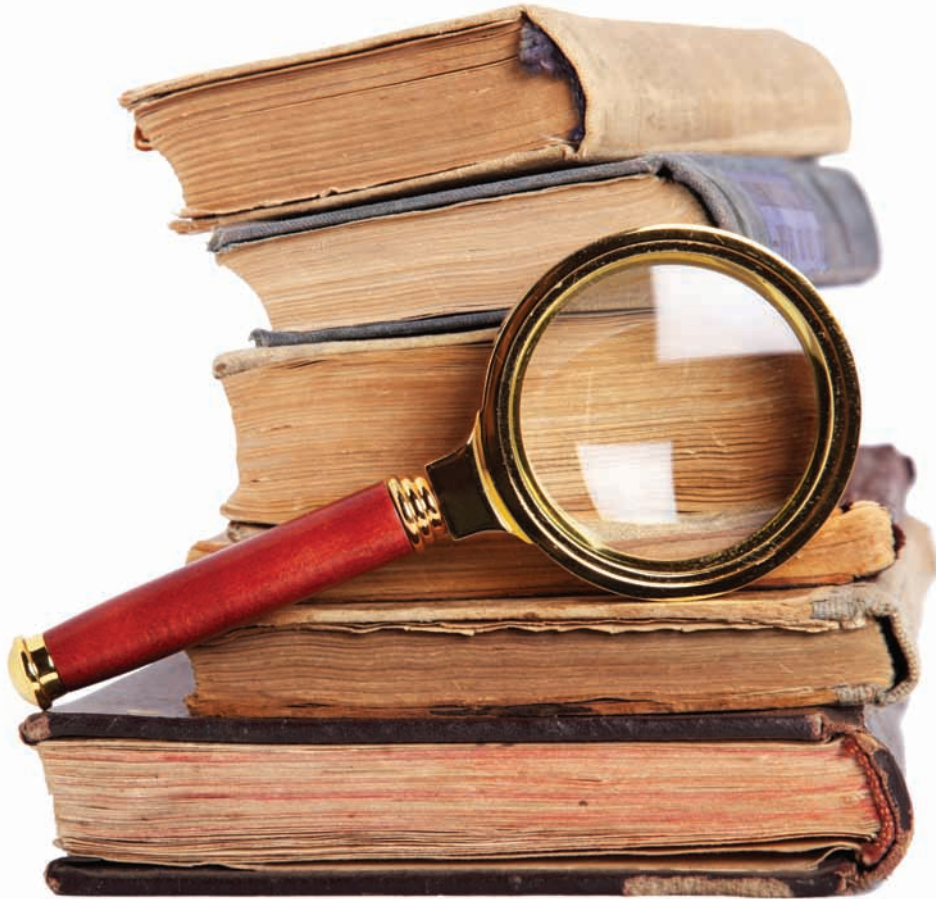
↔
present

→
future

2 Tell one tool you think people who study history use.

3 The picture on this page is a collage. Tell one thing about it.

What Is History?



History is the story of people and what they did in the past. The past means something that has already happened. History tells when and how people lived, what they did, and what they made.

Tell one reason to study history.

What Is a Historian?



There is a special name for people who study history. They are called historians. There is so much history that a historian studies only one part of it. Historians use many tools to study history. You will read about some of these tools in this chapter. Tell one fact you know about a historian.

Tools for Studying History

People who study history use some of the tools on this page.
Point to one and tell what you know about it.



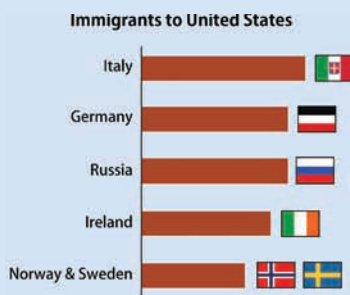
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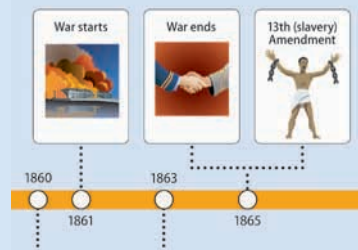
map



photo

AXIS COUNTRY	ALLIES
Japan	United States
	Australia
	China
	England

table



timeline



video

Note: Look for these tools as you read this book.

Artwork



Historians use artwork to study what people looked like, what they did, and where they lived. What do you think the artwork on this page shows?

Collage



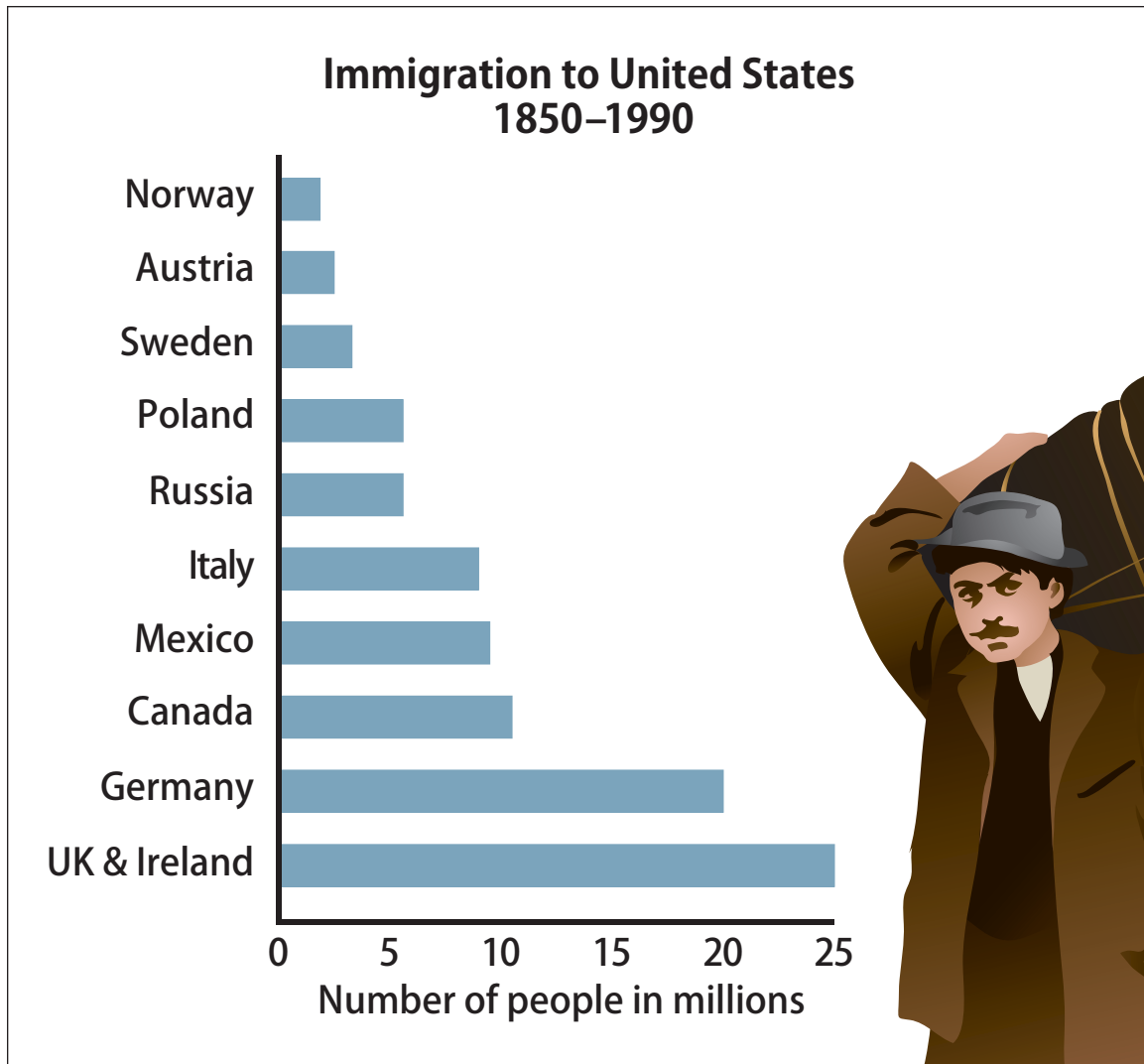
One tool historians use to study history is a collage. A collage is many pictures of something pasted together to make a big picture. Many ideas, people, or things can be shown in a collage at one time. Tell one thing about the collage on this page.

Document



A document is a piece of writing that shows information about something that happened. The document on this page is the United States Constitution. Some historians study the Constitution to find out what laws and responsibilities people have who live in the United States. Tell one fact you know about the Constitution.

Graph



Graphs are used to study history. A graph is a picture that shows information or data about something. Look at the graph. Between 1850 and 1990, what countries did the most immigrants, or people who moved to the United States, come from? Tell what country the fewest immigrants came from.

Map



Maps are tools historians use. A map is a picture of an area of land or water. There are many kinds of maps. The map on this page shows the original 13 colonies of the United States. Point to the compass rose. Listen as your teacher tells you how to use it.

Point to Virginia. Draw a route from Virginia to another colony.

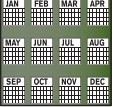

What direction do you go?

Photo



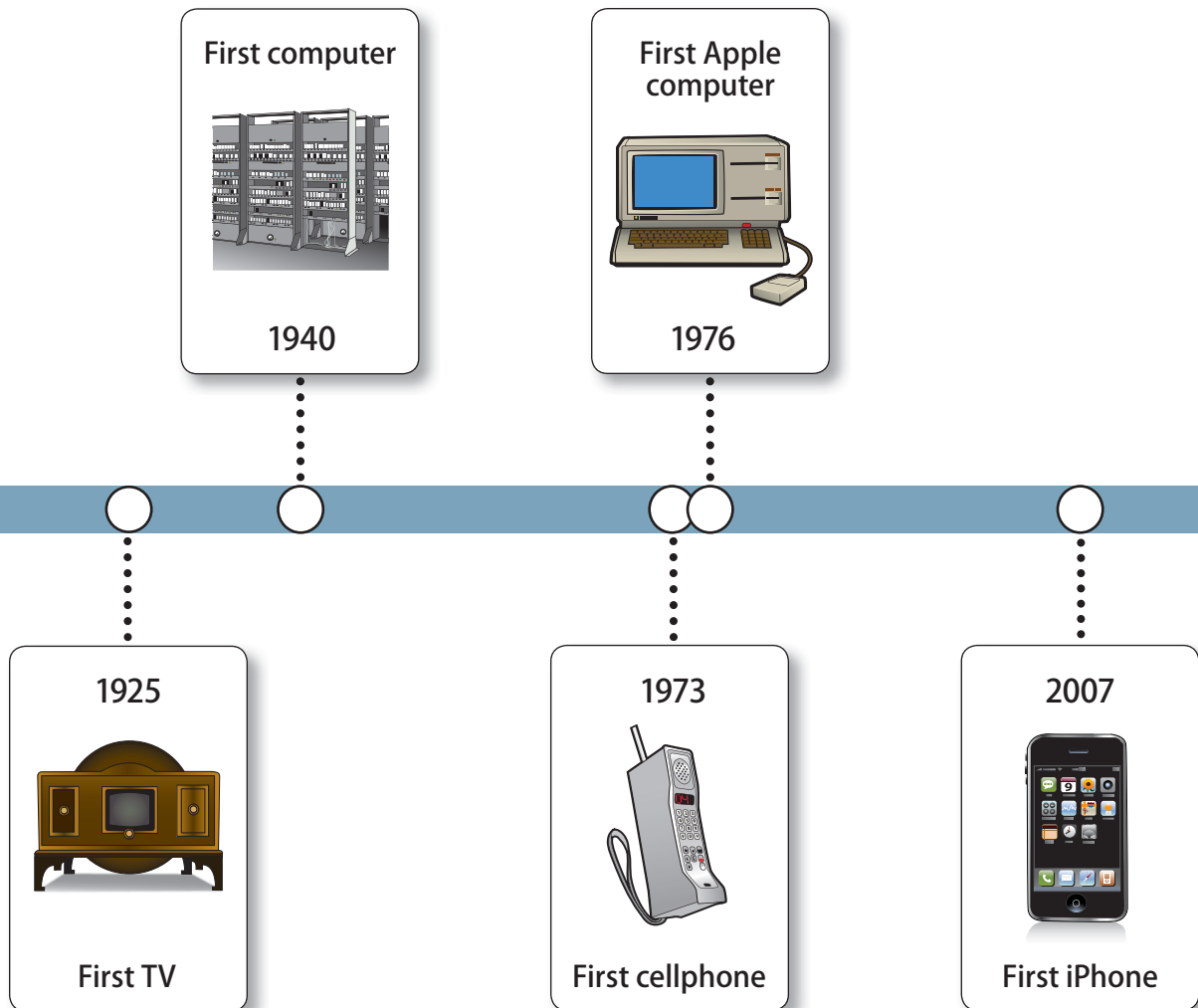
Another tool historians use is a photo. A photo can show how people lived, what they did, and what they made. A photo can be used to compare how people used to live with how they live today. Point to one thing in the photo and tell how it is different from today.

Table

UNITED STATES CENSUS					
 Year	1620	1640	1660	1680	1700
 Number of colonists	500	26,600	75,100	151,500	250,900

A table shows information arranged in columns and rows. Some historians keep track of how many people lived in a place over many years. The table on this page shows how many colonists lived in the United States before it became a country. Pick a year and tell how many colonists were living in the United States.

Timeline



A timeline is one tool historians use. A timeline shows when things happened and keeps them in order. This timeline shows when some things you use every day were first made. Point to the timeline. Tell when an invention was first made.

Video



A video is another tool used to find out about what happened

in the past. A video can be about one person or many people.

A video can show what happened during a great event such as a war or depression. Tell one way you use video to get information.

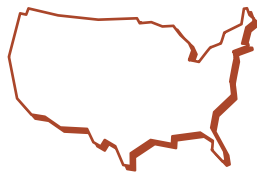
QUIZ



Directions: Circle the answer.

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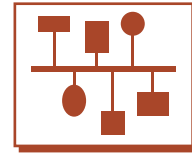
A tool that shows when things happen and keeps them in order is a:



map



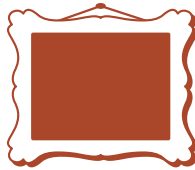
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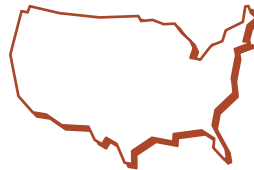
timeline

2

A tool that can show how people lived, what they did, and what they made is a:



photo



map



historian

3

A tool that has many pictures pasted on a page is a:



graph



photo



collage

QUIZ



Directions: Circle the answer.

1

History is the study of the _____.



past



present



future

2

History is the story of _____ and what they did.



historians



people



video

3

People who study history are called _____.



reporters



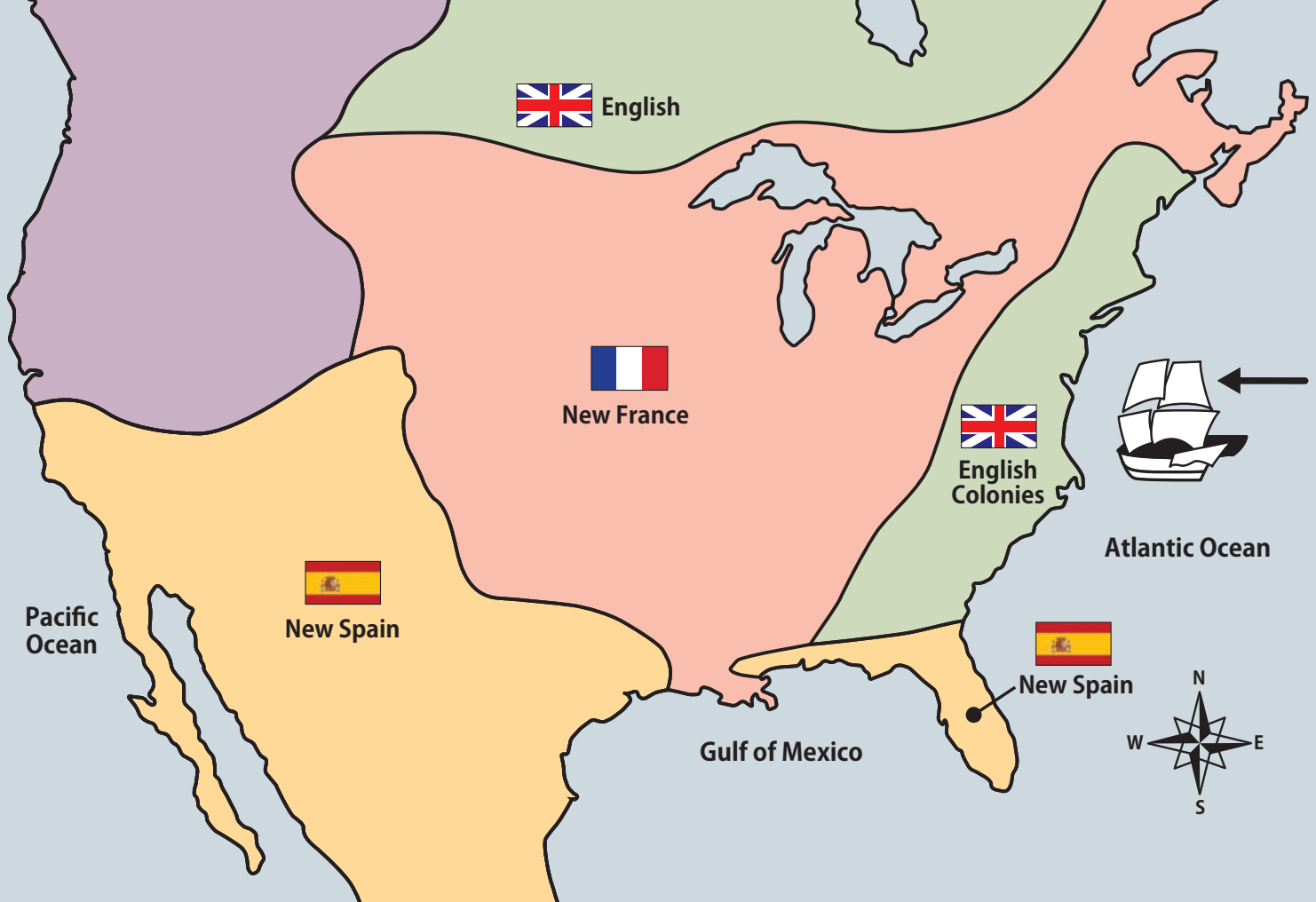
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events

Early Years





- 1 People from Europe came to the United States before it was a country. Why do you think people came to live in this country?
- 2 How are the boats the people came in different from the boats we use today?
- 3 What countries claimed land in the United States?

VOCABULARY

Native Americans



the first people to live in the United States

natural resources



all things from nature that people use to help them live

freedom



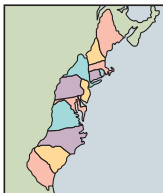
the right to choose how to live

colonists



early European people who came to live in this country

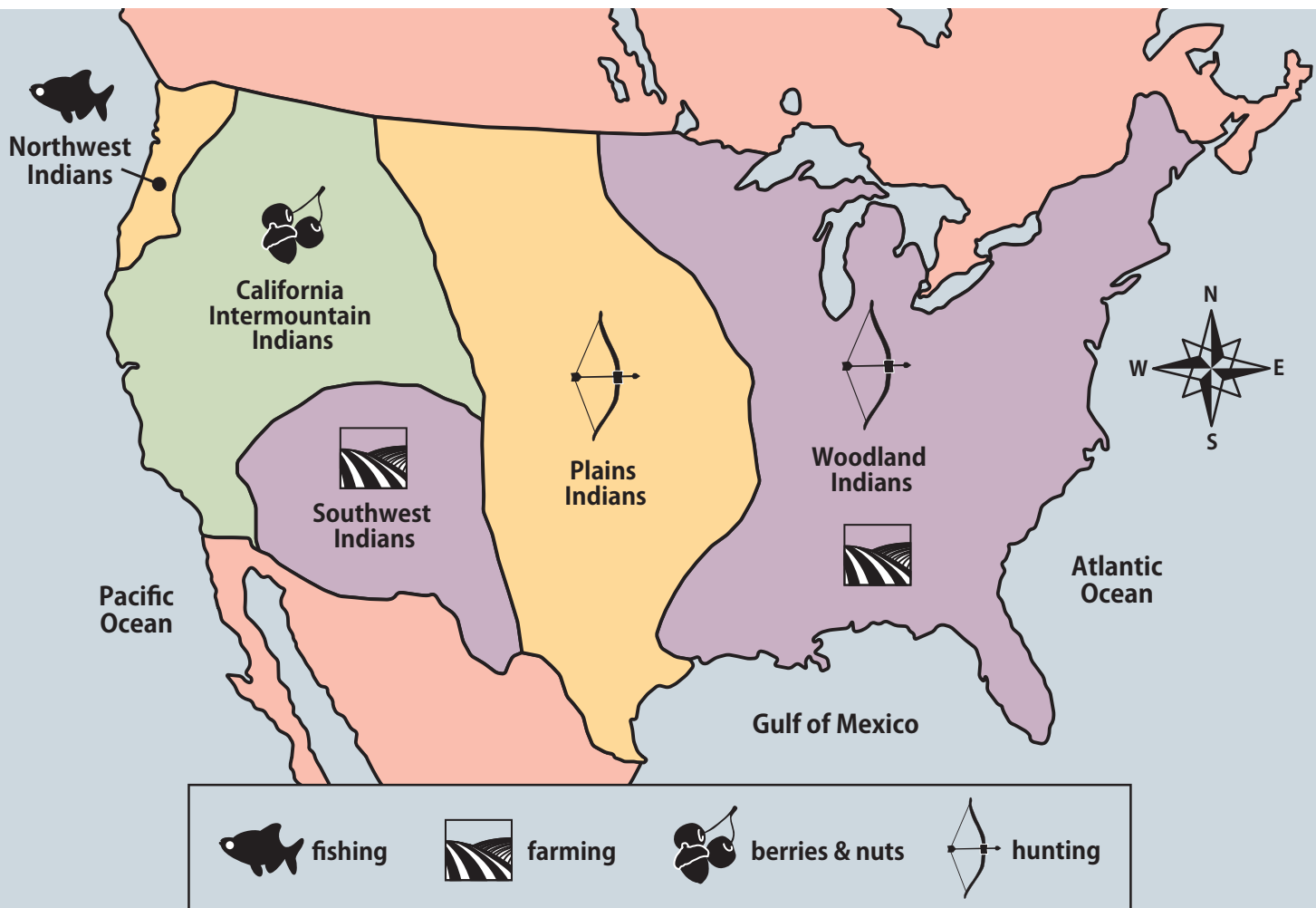
colonies



the early settlements that later formed the 13 founding states



Native Americans



The first people to live in the United States were **Native Americans**, or American Indians. All Native Americans loved nature. However, they were not all alike. How Native Americans made their living depended on the **natural resources** where they lived. They lived in different houses. They ate different food. Point to a group of Native Americans. Tell one fact about them.





Southwest Native Americans



Many **Native Americans** who lived in the Southwest lived in a desert. The desert is hot and dry. These Native Americans used **natural resources** to make a living. They ate desert plants and animals. They were farmers. They dug ditches to get water to their crops. Their houses were made from adobe bricks. These bricks kept the houses cool.



Explorers



The first explorers or Europeans to search for land in the United States came from Spain. They got land for the Spanish king and queen. That meant the new land belonged to Spain. Other kings and queens wanted land. They sent explorers too. The kings and queens wanted to get the **natural resources**. They wanted to find gold to get richer.



What Happened to the Native Americans

NATURAL RESOURCE	NATIVE AMERICANS
<p>silver and gold</p> 	<p>Were forced to mine gold and silver.</p>
<p>animal furs</p> 	<p>Traded animal furs for beads, blankets, and other supplies.</p>
<p>land</p> 	<p>Showed the colonists how to farm and hunt. Later fought with the colonists over the land.</p>

The **Native Americans** had a hard time after the explorers came to North America. The European explorers and **colonists** did not understand the way Native Americans lived. Some Native Americans tried to help the Europeans. However, in spite of their help, Native Americans began to lose their land.





Point to a colony and tell something about it.