

## Age of Contact Unit Vocabulary

Vocabulary Terms	Key People	Major Events
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Catholicism:</b> Spaniards wanted Native populations to follow this religion</li> <li>● <b>colony:</b> a territory ruled by another nation and settled by people of that nation</li> <li>● <b>conquistador:</b> a Spanish soldier-explorer who sought personal riches and power, as well as wealth and glory for Spain, in the conquest of the Americas</li> <li>● <b>expedition:</b> journey made for a special purpose</li> <li>● <b>mission:</b> a religious settlement</li> <li>● <b>navigate:</b> to find a way to pass over or along a body of water</li> <li>● <b>province:</b> a district of a colony or country; similar to a state</li> <li>● <b>settlement:</b> a place where people live</li> <li>● <b>viceroy:</b> an official who rules in the name of the king or queen</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Alonso Álvarez de Piñeda:</b> explored and mapped the Texas coastline, which led to colonization of Texas</li> <li>● <b>Álvar Núñez Cabeza de Vaca:</b> first landed in Florida but left after coming across hostile Indians; sailed along the coast in rafts trying to reach Mexico but landed off the coast of Texas, on Galveston Island; he is among the first Europeans to explore Texas and lived among the Native Americans in Texas and Northern Mexico; after exploring, went to Mexico and told Spanish leaders the story of the cities of gold</li> <li>● <b>Francisco Coronado:</b> Spanish explorer who traveled north from Mexico through Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, and Oklahoma into Kansas looking for the fabled Seven Cities of Gold</li> <li>● <b>Sieur de LaSalle:</b> explored the lower Mississippi River and claimed what is now Louisiana for France around 1683</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Fort St. Louis:</b> settlement built by members of the La Salle expedition possibly near Garcitas Creek in Texas</li> </ul>