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| ***Colonization*** | Christopher Columbus and other Europeans arrive in North America and interact with American Indians |
| English colonists arrive in North America to begin colonies  | ***Revolution*** |
| The British begin taxing colonists after French and Indian War | Declaration of Independence written |
| ***Constitution*** | Challenges to the Articles of Confederation |
| Debates at the Constitutional Convention | ***Slavery*** |
| Missouri Compromise and Kansas-Nebraska Act | Lincoln-Douglas Debate |