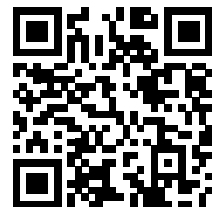


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New France in the Age of Exploration



During the Age of _____, European powers sought to expand their territories and influence across the globe. _____ was among these nations, eager to establish a foothold in the New World. The area known as New France covered _____ of what are now Canada and the United States. The explorers first arrived in the early 16th century, with Jacques _____ being one of the first to claim land for France.

New France was not just about territorial claims; it also became a center for the fur _____ . The cold climate and abundant wildlife made it ideal for trapping and trading furs, especially beaver _____, which were highly valued in Europe. The French established relationships with the _____ peoples, who were crucial partners in the fur trade network. These _____ were essential for the survival and economic success of the colony.

The settlers in New France also focused on _____, although farming was challenging due to the harsh weather conditions. The St. Lawrence _____ provided a vital route for transport and communication within the colony and back to Europe. Settlements like _____ and Montreal began to grow as more settlers arrived, drawn by promises of new _____.

The governance of New France was under the direct control of the _____ of France, who appointed governors to manage the colony. This centralized _____ aimed to ensure that the colony would benefit the mother country, primarily through resource _____ and trade.

Cultural exchanges between the French settlers and Indigenous peoples led to unique blends of _____ and heritage, which are still evident in parts of Canada today. Despite its challenges, New France played a significant _____ in the European presence in North America, setting the stage for further exploration and _____ efforts in the continent.

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