Chapter 2 section 2 and 3 Guided Reading questions

1. How did French explorations to the Americas differ from those of the Spanish and the Portuguese?
2. Why did leaders in France, England , and the Netherlands decide they could no longer ignore the potential of the land to the west?
3. Why do you think the French did not enslave the Native Americans?
4. What was the French and Indian War? Why was it fought? Why do you think it was so costly to the British?

Section 3

1. What was the Columbian Exchange? How did it work?
2. What were the results of the Columbian Exchange?
3. If the Columbian Exchange had not taken place, would you rather have lived in the Old World or the New World? Why?
4. What was mercantilism, and how did it push the drive to establish colonies?
5. How did the establishment of colonies in the New World lead to inflation?
6. Under mercantilism, why did wealthy nations build strong militaries?
7. How did nations create a favorable balance of trade?
8. How did European monarchs restrict economic activities in their colonies to restrict economic activities in their colonies to make sure that the colonies benefited only the home country?
9. What was the impact of colonization on European societies?
10. What is Capitalism?
11. How did global trade lead to the rise of capitalism in Europe?
12. What was the Virginia Company of London? How was it a example of capitalism?