**Module 2.3**

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| **Pre-Assessment** | Complete formative quiz 2.3  |
| **Reading Activity** | Watch this short video to review the concept of mercantilism before you begin reading. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JCBjLEOVWI0>Read *Mercantilist Ideas* by Thomas Mun by following the link: [Mercantilist Ideas](http://www.digitalhistory.uh.edu/disp_textbook.cfm?smtID=3&psid=82). Answer the following questions below in your group post. Be sure we have our own ideas and thoughts.1. According to the excerpt, what is the intention of mercantilism and who is it meant to benefit?
2. What motivations might the English have for settling in the New World according to *Mercantilist Ideas*?
3. What strategies does *Mercantilist* ideas give for nations looking to enhance their self-sufficiency through mercantilist policies?
4. What role would the colonies have played in England’s quest for self-sufficiency through mercantilist policy?
5. What unique issues would mercantilist nations have encountered when attempting to export their goods to other mercantilist nations?
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| **Writing Activity** | After completing your own research using your classroom textbook and the Internet, briefly answer the following questions in complete sentences. Type your response in Word format and save. A thesis is not required. Briefly explain the motivation of the mother country to establish colonies in ONE of the colonial regions using TWO of the factors listed below.* Economic
* Religious
* Social
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| **Student Product** | Using the following two articles on indentured servants (<http://www.digitalhistory.uh.edu/disp_textbook.cfm?smtID=3&psid=4115>) and slaves (<http://www.digitalhistory.uh.edu/disp_textbook.cfm?smtID=3&psid=71>), your textbook, and your own research create a venn diagram comparing and contrasting indentured servants and slaves in relation to their social, economic, and political roles in the colonies. |