

2.4 Exploring North America

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READING CHECKS: Answer each question as you read the text.

- What role did religion play in the exploration of North America?

- Why was the idea of a Northwest Passage important?

KEY TERMS: Define each term's meaning or significance in terms of the text.

- mercantilism

- Columbian Exchange

- Northwest Passage

- coureur de bois