Hands on Activity 1

Benefits after the Discovery of America

Exchange of products between Europe and America

Objectives
1. To describe what products passed from Europe to America and from America to Europe after the Discovery of America.
2. To value and describe the importance that the exchange of these products (food, animal farming, agriculture, trade…) had for life in those days.

Introduction
In this activity children will use the picture cards and place them on a map of the world to learn about what products crossed over from one continent to the other.

Development
The teacher should cut and laminate the picture cards. In a physical wall of the world map, the pupils must draw an arrow between Europe and America and another arrow between America and Europe. They must stick each picture card in the correct direction in order to understand what types of products passed from Europe to America and vice versa.

Plenary
Once the pupils have finished the task, they should be able to write some conclusions and to answer several comprehension questions.
Products that passed over from Europe to America

- Wheat
- Grapes
- Olives
- Melon
Products that passed over from Europe to America

- sugar
- rice
- oranges
- lemons
Products that passed over from Europe to America

garlic
onions
apples
coffee
Products that passed over from Europe to America

- cattle
- pigs
- horses
- poultry
Products that passed over from Europe to America

- sheep
- goats
- roses
- carnations
Products that passed over from America to Europe

- potatoes
- corn
- tomatoes
- peppers
Products that passed over from America to Europe

- sunflowers
- cocoa
- peanuts
- pineapples
Products that passed over from America to Europe

- Avocados
- Beans
- Vanilla
- Pumpkins
Products that passed over from America to Europe

custard apples
yucca
turkeys
tobacco
Comprehension questions

1. Can you name five farming products that crossed over from Europe to America?
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2. Can you name five farming products that crossed over from America to Europe?
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3. What animals crossed from Europe to America?
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4. And from America to Europe?
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5. What other products crossed over from Europe?
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6. And from America?
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7. Do you think the diet of both continents changed? Why?
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8. And the way of life? Why?

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9. Write a few sentences with some conclusions about what you have learned in this activity.

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