The French and Dutch started colonies in North America to compete with other European countries.

FRENCH AND DUTCH COLONIES

LESSON 4 VOCABULARY

- × Missionary:
 - + Someone who travels to do religious work
- × Pelt:
 - + An animal skin with hair or fur still attached
- × Patroon:
 - Wealthy owner who could afford to bring people and supplies to settle the land
- **×** Religious persecution:
 - + When people cannot practice their religion as they want

FRANCE STARTS A COLONY

- Jesuits were Roman Catholic priests that worked to convert the Native Americans to Roman Catholicism.
- Most French colonists were explorers and fur traders.
- Fur trapping and trading made settlers more money than they could get by farming.
- × New France remained small.

THE DUTCH IN NEW NETHERLAND

- To encourage settlement, the Dutch West India Company granted land areas to patroons.
- Eager for the colony to grow, the Dutch welcomed people of other nationalities and religions.

NEW FRANCE AND NEW NETHERLAND

New France	New Netherland
Established for profitable fur trade and to convert Native Americans	Settlers brought in to farm the land
Settled mainly by French trappers and missionaries	Became trading center
No large settlements	Settlers of other nationalities, religions welcomed
Area not good for farming	Some settlers came to escape religious persecution

THE COLONIES IN NORTH AMERICA

The Spanish and French tried to convert the Native Americans to Catholicism.

Colony	Purpose
Spanish	Resources and wealth
English	Religious freedom in New England, wealth in Virginia
French	
Dutch	

LESSON REVIEW

- Why did France establish a colony in North America?
- Who were some of the different peoples of New Netherland, and why did they settle there?
- Why were the Native American of New France eager to trade fur for metal tools?