**Unit 6 Test Review: Piracy**

Topics:

1. Spice Trade, Exploration, Slavery, and Pirates:

* Key questions:
  + What role did the spice trade play in the growth of piracy?
  + What led to the trade in African peoples?
* Why did Europeans begin looking for other trade routes?
* Christopher Columbus/King Ferdinand and Queen Isabella/New World
* Triangular Trade – who/what was involved?
* Pirates vs. Privateers – what was the difference? Which had it better?

2. Pirates, the Royal Navy, and Their Sailing Ships:

* Key questions:
  + What were the challenges of life on board a sailing ship?
  + Did the benefits of piracy outweigh the risks?
* Spanish Main – why was this such a ‘hotspot’ for piracy?
* Final voyage of the Whydah

3. Captain William Kidd:

* Key questions:
  + Did Captain Kidd deserve his fate?
  + What does Kidd’s final letter tell you about him?
* Gibbet – what did it mean to be put in one? Why?
* Robert Livingston; Quedagh Merchant; Lord Bellemont; East India Company
* Buried treasure?

4. Blackbead, Pirates’ Code, and Black Pirates:

* Key questions:
  + Why do you think Blackbeard is such a legendary pirate?
  + How were pirate ships more democratic than naval ships?
* Blackbeard’s identity – what do we know about him? (real name, background…)
* Pirates Powerpoint:
  + What did pirates want?
  + Sloops and Schooners vs. Brigantines – which was better? Why?
  + Jolly Roger – why did they fly these flags?
  + Pirate weapon (musketoon, pistol, cutlass…)
* Blackbeard’s life – why is he so well known? Does his death have something to do with it?
* Black pirates – did they have the same rights as white crewmen?

5. Female Pirates:

* Who were Calico Jack; Anne Bonny; Mary Reed; Cheng I Sao
* What was ‘impressment’? Was this fair?