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- **treaty** (noun) – a formal agreement between two groups, armies, or nations.
- **colonize** (verb) – to establish control over an area of land, a country, and/or its native population
- **decolonize** (verb) – to become free from the control of colonization.
- **assimilate** (verb) – to become absorbed into a larger culture. To fit in, people change their language, clothing, religion, and other cultural behaviors. Sometimes assimilation is a choice, and sometimes it is forced.
- **missionaries** (noun) – people sent to promote their religion or perform a service in a foreign country or place
- **vex** (verb) – to make someone feel annoyed, frustrated, or worried
- **influenza** (noun) – infectious disease commonly known as “the flu”
- **pandemic** (noun) – a disease that has become widespread across a country or the world
- **acquaint** (verb) – to make someone aware of or familiar with
- **passive** (adjective) – allowing something to happen without much resistance or response
- **acquisition** (noun) – something that is bought or obtained; the learning of a certain skill or quality
- **respite** (noun) – a short period of rest or relief from something difficult or unpleasant
- **provision** (noun) – a condition or requirement in a legal document
- **trauma** (noun) – shock or injury from a disturbing or distressing experience.