Social Studies 9 Name:

**The Role of Mercantilism in Colonialism**

**Read the section in the green box on pg. 237 of your *Crossroads* textbook.**

1. Explain what the theory of **mercantilism** is.
2. How can countries make large profits?
3. What was the purpose of the colony?
4. Fill in the missing information for the following diagram:

**COLONY HOME COUNTRY**



FRANCE & other countries (market for goods)

Other Colonies = markets for the **surplus** (left over) goods

Home country =

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Result = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Restrictions = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Colony = source of

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Result = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Restrictions = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. Which group of people do you think benefitted most from mercantilism?
2. Can you think of a similar thing that is happening in our world today? (Think about how/where our goods are produced… where the raw materials come from…)