

# The Columbian Exchange Comic Strip Assignment

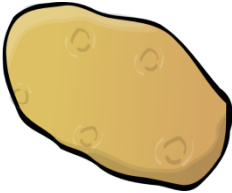
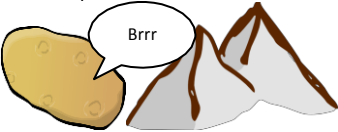





Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Topic: \_\_\_\_\_

**Directions:** Create a comic strip illustrating your journey as a food/animal from the Old World to the New World or from the New World to the Old World.

Your journey should be written in first person, have a catchy title, and include an illustration and a caption for each of the following:

1. HOME: Where were you first located? Be specific. Who first used you and how did they use you?
2. TRAVEL: How did you get from one world to the other? Who brought you to this different world?
3. NEW HOME: How did people react to you when you first arrived in your new world? How did these new people change you or use you differently? In what way(s) did you change their culture?

**EXAMPLE:** (Note: your comic strip will be hand-written and illustrated!)

<p>"My Life as a Potato"</p> 	<p>I am the potato...</p> <p>Brrr</p>  <p>I was born in the Andes Mountains of Peru where I was tough enough to survive in the cold climate.</p>	<p>I was first used by the Incas. They would freeze-dry me and store me to eat later.</p>  <p>Those Incas were smart!</p>
<p>The Spanish Conquistadors brought me back to Spain.</p>  <p>I thought we were taking back gold?</p> 	<p>At first, I wasn't well-liked. But then they discovered how many people I could feed, especially in times of food shortages, like war.</p>  <p>Hey, these aren't bad!</p>	<p>Eventually, the rest of Europe learned to love me...and my descendants – French Fries!</p>  <p>What will these kids think of next?!</p>

**Research Guide:** (The answers to these questions should be included in your captions!)

1. **TITLE:** Create a catchy title! It should not be "My Life as a ..."
2. **HOME:** What is my item? Where was it first located?
3. Who first used my item and how did they use it?
4. **TRAVEL:** How did it get to another world? Who brought it there?
5. **NEW HOME:** How did people react to this item when it arrived in its new home?
6. How did these new people change the item or use it differently? What impact did this item have on the culture of its new world?

## FINAL PRODUCT (Minor-Assessment Grade)

- You may use any style of comic strip as long as you include the requirements above.
- Your comic strip should be neat and easy to read.
- Your captions need to be written in blue or black ink (or marker)
- Your illustrations should be appropriate for the text and colorful (use colored pencils– no markers!).
- Be creative and have fun!

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<p><b>Box 1: TITLE</b> <i>Create a catchy title for your comic strip!</i></p>	
<p><b>Box 2: HOME</b> <i>What is my item? Where was it first located?</i></p>	
<p><b>Box 3: HOME 2</b> <i>Who first used my item? How did they use it?</i></p>	
<p><b>Box 4: TRAVEL</b> <i>How did it get to another world? Who brought it there?</i></p>	
<p><b>Box 5: NEW HOME</b> <i>How did people react to this item when it arrived in its new home?</i></p>	
<p><b>Box 6: NEW HOME 2</b> <i>How did these new people change the item or use it differently? What impact did it have on the culture of the new world?</i></p>	