Social Studies, Grade 2 Unit VI: Lesson B3

## Book: First Colonists in Columbia



Research Spain and Colombia to learn what language is used in each of those two countries. Learn about the most popular religion in those two countries. Find out when Europeans first colonized Colombia. Look at pictures of landmarks in both Spain and Colombia. Read about the holidays that are celebrated in both of the countries.

Analyze the information to see what similarities Spain and Colombia have. Think of reasons why some things are the same in Colombia as in Spain. Think of how the religion of the countries has influenced buildings and holidays in each of the countries. Imagine what Colombia would be like today if the Japanese had been the first to colonize Colombia. Think of all the things that would be different in Colombia today.

Write and draw an illustrated book with the title, "What If the First Colonists in Colombia were Japanese?" Tell why Colombia has the language, religion, kind of buildings, and holidays that it has. Then describe the language, religion, kind of buildings and holidays the Colombians might have if the first colonist were Japanese. Share the book with your class.