Social Studies 8
Chapter 2 – AK

Section 4

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Economic problems caused by inflation and the defeat of the Spanish Armada lead to the decline of the Spanish Empire.

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The explorers wanted to find a Northwest Passage that would allow ships to sail from the Atlantic to the Pacific.

Interpreting Maps - Page 55
1. Hudson made two voyages to find a Northwest Passage.
2. Verrazano started the farthest south.

Interpreting Maps - Page 56
1. The French explored the Great Lakes region.
2. The Spanish explored the Caribbean islands, Mexico and the South and Southwest of the modern-day USA.

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Section Assessment - Page 57
1.
    a. The Protestant Reformation was a religious movement begun by Martin Luther and others in 1517 to reform the Catholic Church.
    b. The printing press helped spread the ideas of the Reformation because Protestants could print large numbers of Bibles and essays explaining their ideas.
    c. Martin Luther charged the Catholic Church with being too wealthy and abusing its power.
2.
    a. The English were the first to search for a Northwest Passage.
    b. Verrazano and Cartier led French searches for the Northwest Passage, while Hudson led Dutch exploration.

3.
    a. The first settlement - Roanoke - had trouble with Native Americans and growing food so they returned to England. No one knows what happened to the settlers that tried a second time - it became a "lost colony".
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4. Student graphic organizers should be well conceived and should reflect a knowledge and appropriate application of the geographical and historical material in Section 4.
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