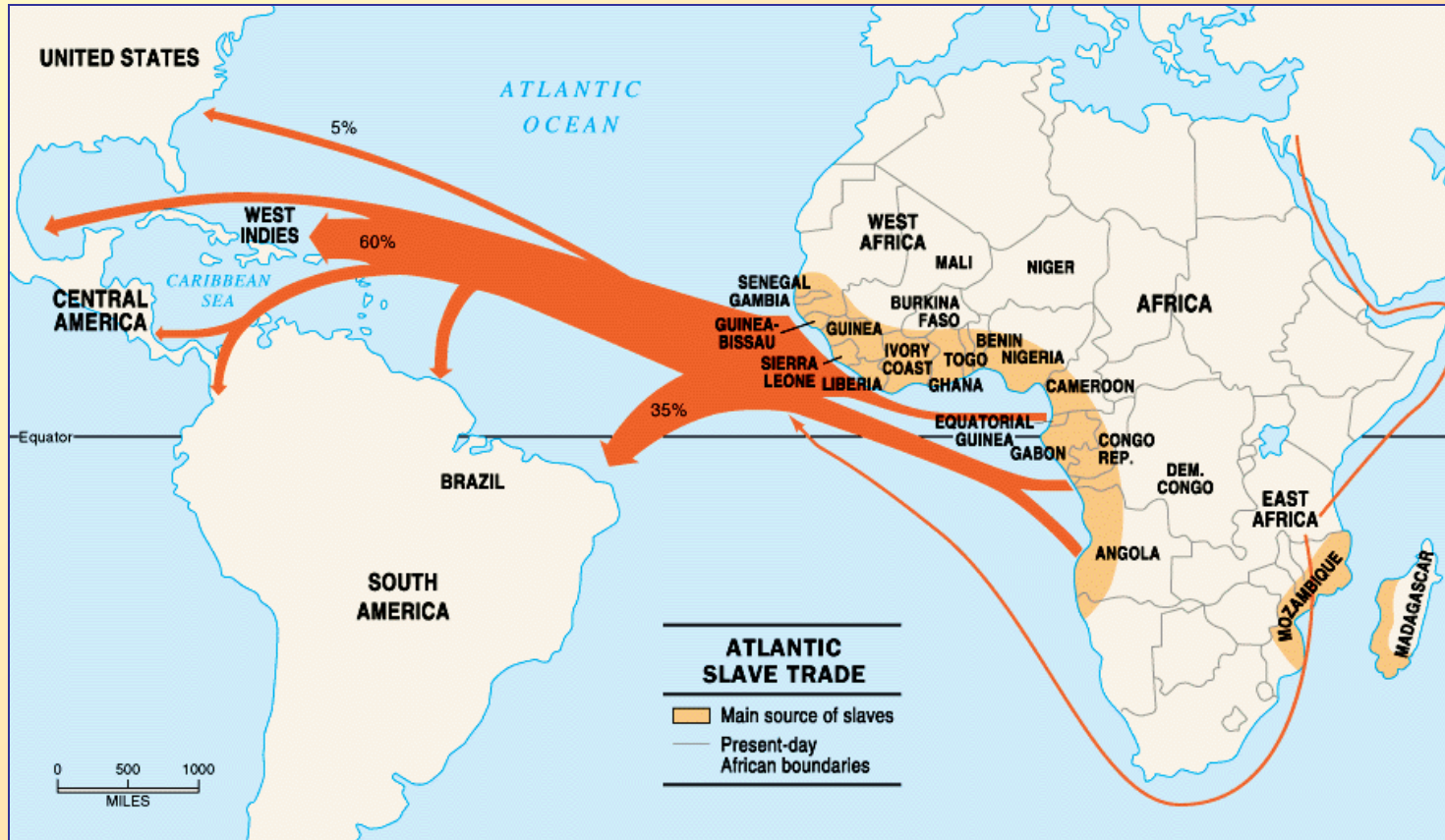




- Triangular Trade
- Middle Passage

Vocabulary

The Atlantic Slave Trade



The Slave Trade

1. Slavery existed in Africa before the coming of the Europeans.
2. Portuguese replaced native slaves with Africans.
 - 🌐 Sugar cane & sugar plantations.
 - 🌐 First boatload of African slaves brought by the Spanish in 1518.
 - 🌐 275,000 enslaved Africans exported to other countries.
3. Between 16^c & 19^c, about 10 million Africans shipped to the Americas.



Slavery in Africa

- Existed for centuries
- Spread of Islam in N. Africa causes an increase in slavery
 - Muslim belief said that prisoners of war could be bought and sold as slaves
 - Between the years 650-1600 Muslims brought African slaves to their lands of North Africa and Southwest Asia
- Slaves had some legal rights and opportunities for social mobility
- The Portuguese were the first Europeans to explore Africa – 1400s



Why Africans?

1. They are not Christian
2. They were already exposed to European diseases
3. They were experienced in farming
4. Less likely to escape because they did not know the land
5. They stand out due to their skin color
6. Could withstand harsh working conditions



The Journey

- Spain led the way in importing African slaves (16th c.)
 - Soon overtaken by the Portuguese who were importing slaves to Brazil for their sugar industry (17th c)
- England takes a major role from 1690-1807
 - British outlaw slavery in 1807
- **Triangular Trade: An economic system based on a trading network**
 1. Goods went from Europe to Africa
 2. Slaves from Africa to the Americas
 3. Goods from the Americas went to Europe





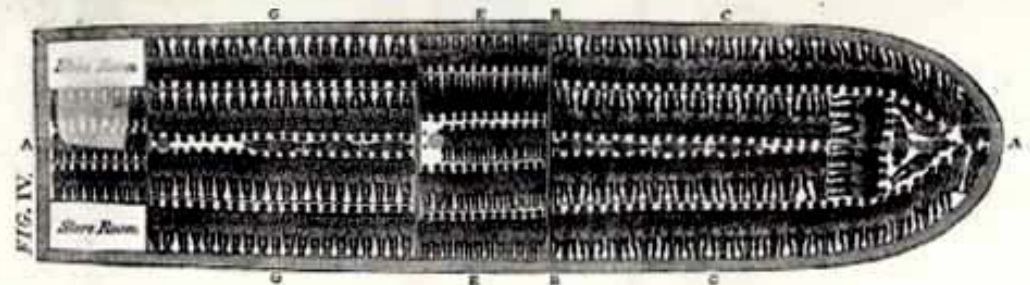
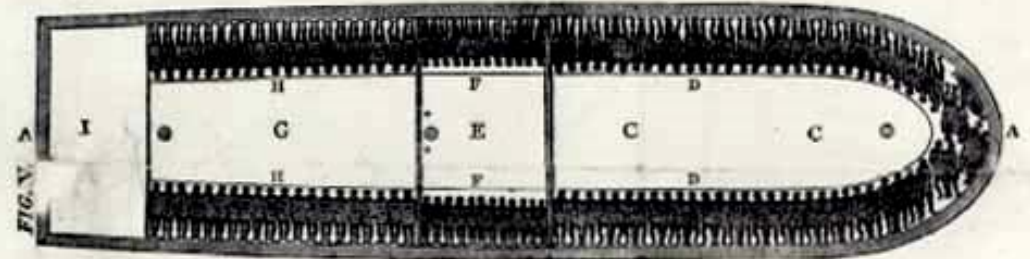
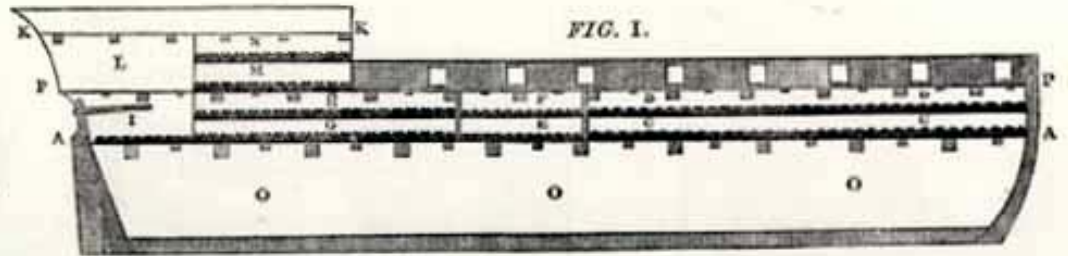
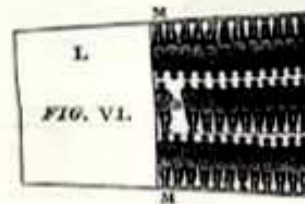
Sugar, tobacco, and
cotton to Europe

Slaves to the
Americas

Textiles, rum and
manufactured
goods to Africa

Slave Ship

DESCRIPTION OF A SLAVE SHIP.



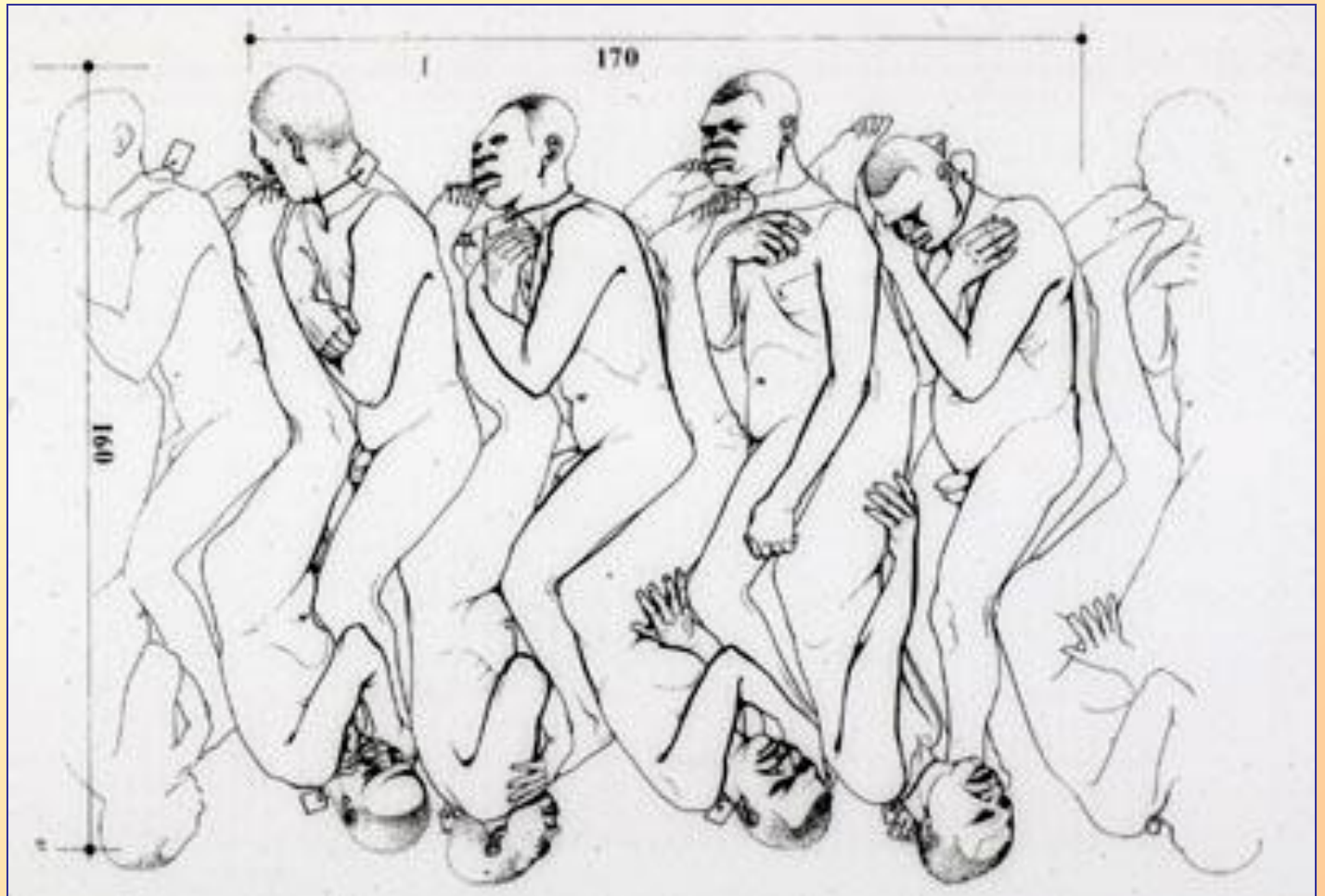
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Video



“Coffin” Position Below Deck



20% death rate



African Captives Thrown Overboard



Sharks followed the slave ships!



Amistad Clip

- What do you think the voyage from Africa to the Americas was like?
- Make a prediction of what you will see in the clip.
- How does your prediction compare to what you saw in the clip?
- What is your reaction to the clip?



SLAVE TRADE

FROM AFRICA TO THE AMERICAS
1650-1860



- Tobacco
- Coffee
- Cotton
- Sugar
- Mining
- Rice

Between 1650 and 1860, approximately 10 to 15 million enslaved people were transported from western Africa to the Americas. Most were shipped to the West Indies, Central America, and South America.

Slavery in the Americas

- Harsh life:
 - sold to highest bidder, work in mines, fields, or in the house, long days, little food, small huts, beatings, hereditary disposition.
- Resistance and Rebellion:
 - Keep culture alive, tell stories about ancestors, work slowly, run away, fake pregnant, break tools, uproot plants, open revolt.



Impact of the Slave Trade

- Lost culture
- Families torn apart
- Contributed greatly to the colonies
 - Economic and cultural development
 - Brought agricultural expertise
 - Art, music, religion, food
- Population

