

Q u e s t i o n T w o

Why were the British colonies so
d i f f e r e n t
if they were all settled by
p e o p l e
f r o m t h e
s a m e c o u n t r y?

EXPLORING AMERICA'S HISTORY THROUGH COMPELLING QUESTIONS

S T U D E N T W O R K B O O K



NAME

PERIOD

F I R S T Q U E S T I O N WAS JAMESTOWN A GOOD INVESTMENT?



MY CONCLUSION

CONTENT VOCABULARY

IDEAS

Spanish Armada
Joint-Stock Company
Primogenitor
Tobacco
Absolute Monarchy
Limited Monarchy
Divine Right

PEOPLE & GROUPS

Privateers
Francis Drake
Walter Raleigh
John Smith
John Rolfe
Powhatan
Pocahontas
Virginia House of Burgesses

EVENTS

Starving Time
Anglo-Powhatan Wars

BUSINESSES

Virginia Company of
London

LOCATIONS

London
United Kingdom
Roanoke
Jamestown

ACADEMIC VOCABULARY IN THE TEXT

Burdensome: causing hardship
Cannibalism: eating other humans
Dwindle: become smaller reduce in number
Expanse: a wide open space
Fallow: a field that is left unplanted
Forerunner: something that comes first
Gentry: the upper or wealthy class of society
Impoverished: poor
Infuriated: extremely angry
Intriguing: arousing interest or curiosity
Intrusion: entrance by force or without permission or welcome
Investor: someone who gives money to a project hoping for a financial return
Maneuver: a military training exercise or to move an object without hitting other objects
Motivated: given incentive for action
Precarious: not secure; beset with difficulties
Quell: suppress or crush completely
Revoke: cancel officially
Tributary: a river or stream that flows into a larger river
Turmoil: a violent disturbance
Venture: an undertaking with an uncertain outcome

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S E C O N D Q U E S T I O N

WAS SLAVERY AN INEVITABLE PART OF AMERICAN HISTORY?



MY CONCLUSION

CONTENT VOCABULARY

IDEAS

Headright System
Atlantic Slave Trade
Triangle Trade
Middle Passage
Chattel Slavery
Slave Codes

LOCATIONS

Caribbean Islands
Chesapeake Region
South Carolina
Barbados
Appalachian Mountains
Backcountry

PEOPLE & GROUPS

Indentured Servant

EVENTS

Stono Rebellion
Haitian Revolution

ACADEMIC VOCABULARY IN THE TEXT

Agrarian: relating to rural matters
Alleviate: provide physical relief, as from pain
Assuage: provide physical relief, as from pain
Barter: exchange goods without involving money
Bedevel: be confusing or perplexing to
Chattel: personal as opposed to real property
Coherence: the state of sticking together
Counterpart: a person or thing having the same function as another
Curtail: terminate or abbreviate before its intended or proper end
Draconian: imposing a harsh code of laws
Dub: to create a name for something
Fatality: the quality of being able to cause death
Fluctuating: having unpredictable ups and downs
Horrific: grossly offensive to decency or morality
Husbandry: the practice of cultivating the land or raising stock
Malnutrition: a state of poor nourishment
Pedigree: the ancestry or lineage of an individual
Replenish: to add back something that has been taken away or used up
Scurvy: an illness caused by a lack of Vitamin C
Viable: capable of life or normal growth

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T H I R D Q U E S T I O N

WAS MASSACHUSETTS BAY COLONY A CITY UPON A HILL?



MY CONCLUSION

CONTENT VOCABULARY

IDEAS

City Upon a Hill
Predestination
Common Schools
Protestant Work Ethic

PEOPLE & GROUPS

Anglican Church
John Calvin
Separatists
Puritans
Pilgrims
Tisquantum
Massasoit
William Bradford
John Winthrop

LOCATIONS

Cape Cod
Massachusetts Bay
Colony
Harvard and Yale
Universities

EVENTS

First Thanksgiving
Great Migration

DOCUMENTS

Mayflower Compact

SPEECHES

A Model of Christian
Charity

SHIPS

Mayflower

ACADEMIC VOCABULARY IN THE TEXT

Beset: attack on all sides

Bountiful: producing in abundance

Burgeon: grow and flourish

Compatriot: a person from your own country

Conversely: the opposite of something

Demise: the time when something ends

Enjoin: give instructions to or direct somebody to do something

Hovel: small crude shelter

Hub: central part of a wheel or collection of places

Jut: extend out or project in space

Opulent: rich and superior in quality

Prestigious: having an illustrious reputation; respected

Robust: sturdy and strong in form, constitution, or construction

Rudiments: a statement of fundamental facts or principles

Spat: a small fight

Subsidize: support, as through grants or other funds

Testament: strong evidence for something

Venison: meat from a deer

Vibrant: vigorous and animated

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F O U R T H Q U E S T I O N

WAS WINTHROP'S DREAM OF A RELIGIOUSLY PURE SOCIETY EVER POSSIBLE?



MY CONCLUSION

CONTENT VOCABULARY

IDEAS

Heresy

PEOPLE & GROUPS

Anne Hutchinson

Roger Williams

Thomas Hooker

John Davenport

Metacom

Mary Rowlandson

Tituba

New Lights

Old Lights

Johnathan Edwards

George Whitfield

Methodists, Presbyterians,

Baptists

EVENTS

King Philip's War

First Great Awakening

LAWS

Fundamental Orders of
Connecticut

LOCATIONS

Rhode Island

Salem

ACADEMIC VOCABULARY IN THE TEXT

Aghast: shocked by something terrible

Blaspheme: say things contrary to a religious group's beliefs

Bloodthirsty: eager to resort to violence

Garner: assemble or get together

Genre: a kind of literary or artistic work

Hatchet: a small ax

Hysteria: state of violent mental agitation

Itinerant: traveling from place to place to work

Lethal: of an instrument of certain death

Notorious: known widely and usually unfavorably

Oratory: public speaking

Scripture: a sacred book or other text

Seminal: most important or first

Seminary: a school for training ministers or priests or rabbis

Simmer: boil slowly at low temperature

Sterile: incapable of reproducing

Unforeseen: not predicted

Vilify: spread negative information about

Whet: sharpen by rubbing, give a taste of something

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F I F T H Q U E S T I O N

DO COLONIAL DIFFERENCES FROM THE 1600s STILL MATTER TODAY?



MY CONCLUSION

CONTENT VOCABULARY

PEOPLE & GROUPS

Quakers
William Penn
Benjamin Franklin
Lord Baltimore
James Oglethorpe
Scotch-Irish
Hillbilly
Colin Woodward

BOOKS

Poor Richard's Almanac

LOCATIONS

New Netherland
New Amsterdam
Pennsylvania
Philadelphia
Maryland
Georgia

LAWS

Maryland Act of Toleration

ACADEMIC VOCABULARY IN THE TEXT

Anew: again but in a new or different way
Buffer: protect by placing something between the source of danger and the thing being protected
Chaff: seed coverings and pieces of stem from a plant that are thrown away
Confluence: a place where things merge or flow together
Connotation: an idea that is implied or suggested
Cosmopolitan: composed of people from many parts of the world
Digression: a message that departs from the main subject
Distaste: a feeling of intense dislike
Dogma: a doctrine or code of beliefs accepted as authoritative
Ensnue: take place or happen afterward or as a result
Frontier: a wilderness at the edge of a settled area of a country
Hierarchical: classified into successive levels
Imbue: spread or diffuse through
Intermediary: a negotiator who acts as a link between parties
Locale: the scene of any event or action
Proprietor: someone who owns a business
Snub: to ignore
Tract: an extended area of land

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