

Roanoke Island (Lost Colony)



Sir Walter Raleigh asked
 Queen Elizabeth of
 England if he could lead a
 group of people to begin a
 colony in the USA.

Queen Elizabeth gave
Raleigh a charter (a
document that allowed
colonists to live on land
owned by their country.)

Roanoke Colony – Attempt #1



- 1585, 100 men were sent to colonize Roanoke Colony
- Things were so rough during the winter, they returned to England

Roanoke Island (1st Time)



- □ In 1585, the first English people tried to begin a colony.
- This became the 1st English colony in the USA.
- □ It failed due to hunger and bad relations with the Native Americans.
- □ All but 15 men went back to England on a ship.

Roanoke Island (2nd Time)

- ω In 1587, Raleigh sent colonists a second time.
- ^ω The 15 men that had stayed behind the 1st time had been killed by then.
- ω John White was the colony's governor.
- □ This time, the colonist brought their wives and children.
- John White's granddaughter, Virginia Dare was born 1 month after they arrived in the USA on August 18 the first English baby born in the USA.

Spanish Armada



✓ In 1588, King Philip II decided to attackEngland.

The English defeated the all powerful Spanish Armada because they had quicker ships and a violent storm helped destroy the Spanish ships.

The Lost Colony



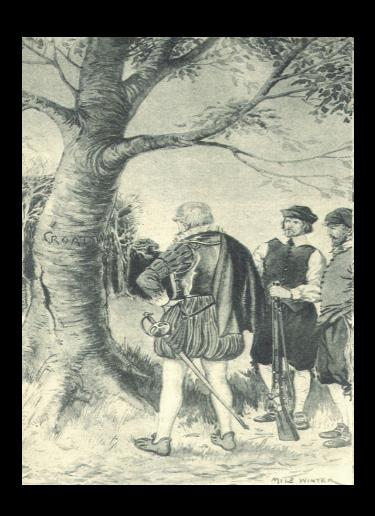
- ✓ John White returned in August 1590 to find no colonists on Roanoke Island.
- ✓ On one of the trees was written CROATOAN.
- ✓ Croatoan was the name of an island nearby as well as the name of the Native Americans living in the area.

White Returns...

3 years later, White returns to Roanoke

Colony was deserted of all inhabitants

The only clue was the word "Croatoan" carved on a gatepost



And they were never seen again...

What do you think happened to them?



Ending the Good Relations with the Native Americans

Because the 15 men had been killed by Native Americans, John White decided that they should pay the Native Americans back.

He ordered his men to attack the the Powhatans since supposedly, they were the ones who had killed the 15 men.

However, they instead attacked the Croatoans Native Americans who had been their friends and helped them. After the battle, the Croatoans were enemies.

This forced John White to have to go back to England for more food and supplies.



Reasons for English Colonization

England wanted to establish an American colony to increase its wealth and power.

- □ By finding silver and gold in America
- □ By providing a source of raw materials
- Would open new markets for trade.





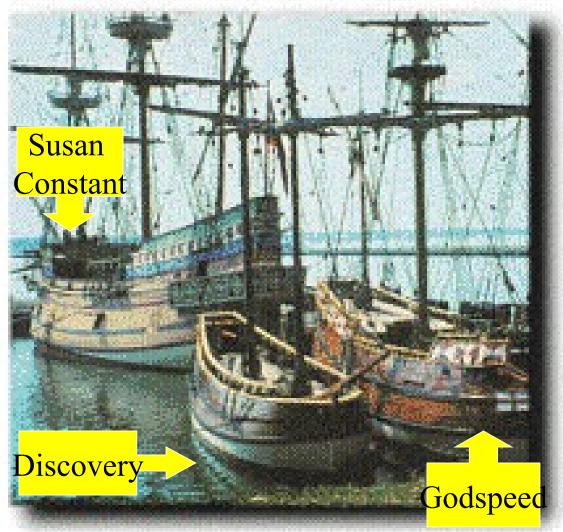
Why Settlers Came to Jamestown

Gold!

The stockholders of the Virginia company of London financed the settlement of Jamestown.

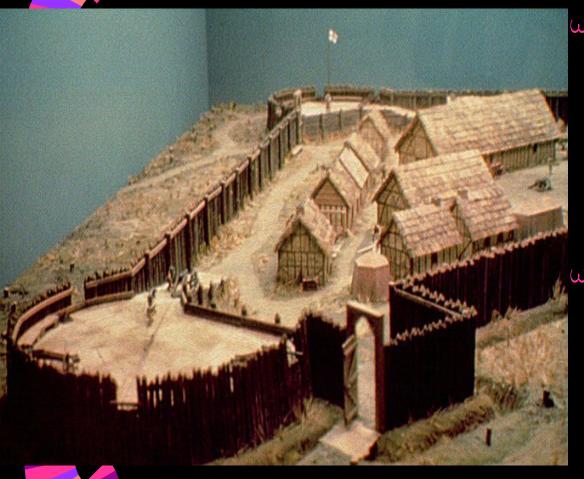


Jamestown Colony



- In 1606, King James
 I gave permission to
 the Virginia
 Company of London
 to try a colony.
- Christopher Newport led the three ships, Susan Constant, Godspeed and Discovery to Jamestown.





On May 14, 1607, the settlers began building the first English permanent settlement on the James River in Virginia.

Jamestown was named after the King James I and Virginia was named after the Virgin Queen of England.

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Site of the Jamestown Colony





Reasons for the Location of Jamestown



The location could be easily defended from attack by sea by the Spanish.

The water along the shore was deep enough for ships to dock.

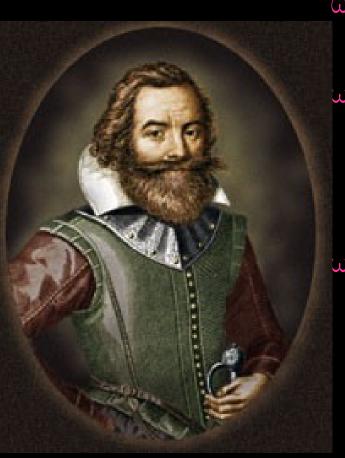
Believed to be a good supply of fresh water.



- Not educated in how to plant food in Virginia.
- Not enough people in the Jamestown settlement especially hard working people.
- **[∞] Native American Battles**
- **□** DISEASE



John Smith



He was saved by Pocahontas, a Powhatan Native American.

Smith was a hard leader but his leadership is what kept the colony alive.



As leader of the Jamestown Colony he helped to restore order with one simple rule "He that will not work, will not eat."

He also initiated trading relationships with the Powhatan Indian tribes lead by Chief Powhatan.

However, due to an injury he left the colony to return to England in 1609.



Powhatan Native Americans

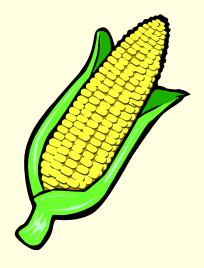


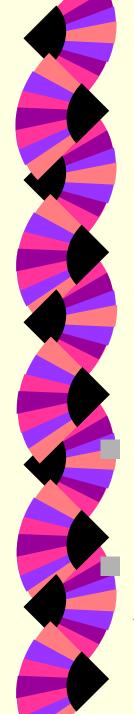
- The Powhatan Native
 Americans were in control
 of almost all of Virginia
 (Eastern Woodland Area).
- They lived in yehakin lodges built by the women.

Powhatans – Corn and Tobacco

The Powhatans introduced new crops to the English, including corn and tobacco.











The Colonists began stealing and attempting to intimidate the Indians.

The Powhatans realized the English settlement would continue to grow and saw the colonists as invaders that would take over their land.

John Rolfe



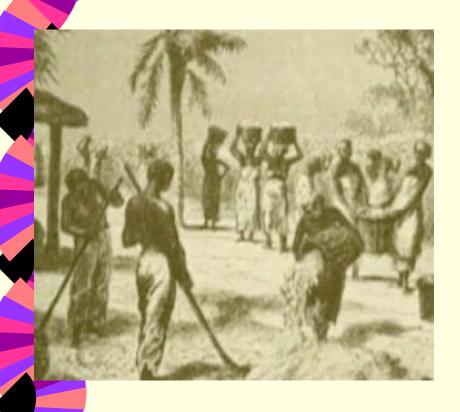
- [∞] John Rolfe in 1614 found a way to harvest tobacco.
- This quickly became the cash crop of Virginia.
- He also married
 Pocahontas in 1614 and thus created peace with the Powhatan Native
 Americans for 8 years.

1619



- ✓ Indentured Servants
 were brought to the
 USA for the 1st time..
- The first time the House of Burgesses met.
- □ 1620 Women Came to the colonies.

Africans Come to Jamestown



- Africans arrived in Jamestown against their will in 1619.
- It is believed that they arrived as baptized Christians and therefore were labeled indentured servants for a period of 5 to 7 years.
- The arrival of Africans made it possible to expand the tobacco economy.

