

Early Colonization- Part 5 Plymouth Colony Webquest

A Scavenger Hunt through History

In 1620, the Separatists, now commonly called Pilgrims, set sail from Europe in search of a new place to call home. In this webquest, you'll learn about their motivation for traveling to the New World, the creation of a document known as the Mayflower Compact, the interactions between the Wampanoag Nation and the Pilgrims, and the impact of the Pilgrims on United States history.

Directions: Click on the links to visit websites and watch a video to deepen your understanding of the Pilgrims and their impact on American history.

WHO WERE THE PILGRIMS?

Use this link: <https://plimoth.org/for-students/homework-help/who-were-the-pilgrims>

1. In the 1600s, changes were made to religious practices in England. Some people disagreed with these changes and two groups emerged: the Puritans and the Separatists. What are the differences in beliefs between the two groups?
2. What happened to Separatists in Nottinghamshire, England when they refused to follow the Church of England's teachings?
3. Where did some of the Separatists first move to escape religious persecution in England?

LEAVING EUROPE

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4. Why did the Separatists leave Europe in 1620?

5. In which colony did the Separatists intend to settle when they left Europe?
6. What stopped the Separatists (we'll call them Pilgrims now) from reaching their destination? Where did they settle instead?

SETTLING IN PLYMOUTH AND THE MAYFLOWER COMPACT

Use this link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P9kGbz-BfLI>

7. When the Pilgrims arrived in North America, they had to establish a new government. What three questions might the Pilgrims have asked themselves when forming their new government?
8. Which man later became a governor of Plymouth Colony and kept a record of events aboard the Mayflower?
9. How many Pilgrims signed the Mayflower Compact?
10. What was the purpose of the Mayflower Compact?
11. How were leaders chosen in Plymouth Colony under the Mayflower Compact?
12. True or False? The Pilgrims declared themselves independent of Great Britain

True

False

13. Who was the first governor of Plymouth Colony?

14. What were the impacts of the Mayflower Compact on American history?

15. What happened to the Pilgrims in the winter of 1620?

16. In what ways did Squanto help the Pilgrims in 1621?

THE WAMPANOAG NATION AND THE PILGRIMS

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17. What does the name Wampanoag mean? In the 1600s, how many Wampanoag people lived in the 67 villages of the Wampanoag Nation?

18. Today, approximately how many Wampanoag people live in New England?

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19. In 1621, the Pilgrims and Massasoit, a tribal chief of the Wampanoag Nation, signed a treaty. In exchange for food and support, the Pilgrims would help to defend the tribe. How did this alliance impact relations among Native Americans in the region?

20. Unfortunately, the peace treaty did not last. In 1675, _____ took place because the Wampanoag Nation wanted to defend their land against European control. The war was named after the Wampanoag leader Metacom, the son of _____. The conflict left _____ of New England dead, _____ of those were Native Americans.

CHECK YOUR KNOWLEDGE

Congratulations! You've completed the webquest and have deepened your knowledge of the Pilgrims in Plymouth Colony and their impact on U.S. History.

What do you remember?

1. Why did the Separatists disagree with the religious practices of the Church of England?
2. In order to escape religious persecution in England, to which European country did the Separatists move?
3. Why did the Separatists (now called Pilgrims) settle in Plymouth?

Draw a line to match the person with their actions in Plymouth.

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| 4. William Bradford | a. A member of the Wampanoag tribe who taught the Pilgrims how to hunt, fish, plant crops and was an interpreter between the Pilgrims and the Native Americans |
| 5. Squanto | b. Leader of the Wampanoag Nation who signed a peace treaty with the Pilgrims |
| 6. John Carver | c. A man who kept a journal of the Mayflower voyage and the founding of Plymouth and who later became a governor of the colony |
| 7. Massasoit | d. Elected the first governor of Plymouth Colony |

Mark whether each statement is True (T) or False (F).

- _____ The Pilgrims declared themselves independent of England in the Mayflower Compact
- _____ The purpose of the Mayflower Compact was to create peace between the Pilgrims and Wampanoag Nation.
- _____ Many Pilgrims did not survive the winter of 1620.
- _____ The Mayflower Compact established a self-governing society in which Pilgrim men would elect their own leaders to govern the colony.
- _____ The actions of the Pilgrims led to lasting peace between Europeans and American Indian tribes.