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HISTORY AND SOCIAL SCIENCE STANDARDS OF LEARNING -- CURRICULUM FRAMEWORK -

2015 STANDARDS

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STANDARD USI.5A

REASONS FOR COLONIZATION

a) describe the religious and economic events and conditions that led to the colonization of America.

Colonies in North America were established for religious and economic reasons.

Colonies and the reasons they were established

- Roanoke Island (Lost Colony) was established as an economic venture.
- Jamestown Settlement, the first permanent English settlement in North America (1607), was an economic venture by the Virginia Company.
- Plymouth Colony was settled by separatists from the Church of England who wanted to avoid religious persecution.
- Massachusetts Bay Colony was settled by the Puritans to avoid religious persecution.



- Pennsylvania was settled by the Quakers, who wanted freedom to practice their faith without interference.
- Georgia was settled by people who had been in debtors' prisons in England. They hoped to experience economic freedom and start a new life in the New World.

STANDARD USI.5B

NEW ENGLAND, MID-ATLANTIC, SOUTHERN COLONIES

b) life in the New

England, Mid-Atlantic, and Southern colonies, with emphasis on how people interacted with their environment to produce goods and services.

Geographic features influenced life in the colonies

The colonies consisted of different groups of people whose lives varied greatly depending on their social position.

Terms to know

• resources: natural, capital, or human

Colonies	Geography and Climate	Resources	Social life	Political and civic life
New England	o Appalachian Mountains, harbors, hilly terrain, rocky soil, jagged coastline o Moderate summers, cold winters	o Natural: timber, fish, deep harbors o Human: skilled craftsmen, fishermen, merchants, shipbuilders o Capital: tools, buildings	o Village, school and church as center of life. o Religious reformers and separatists	o Town meetings
Mid- Atlantic	O Appalachian Mountains, coastal plains, harbors, rivers, rich farmlands O Moderate climate	o Natural: rich farmlands, rivers o Human: unskilled and skilled workers, farmers, fishermen, merchants o Capital: tools, buildings	o Villages and cities o Diverse cultural backgrounds o Diverse religions	o Market towns
South	O Appalachian Mountains, Piedmont, Atlantic Coastal Plain, harbors, rivers, fertile farmland O Humid climate	o Natural: fertile farmlands, rivers, harbors, forests o Human: farmers, enslaved African Americans, indentured servants o Capital: tools, buildings	o Plantations, mansions, few cities, few schools o Church of England	o Counties

STANDARD USI.5c Specialization & Interdependence

c) specialization of and interdependence among New England, Mid-Atlantic, and Southern colonies;

Economic specialization and interdependence existed among the colonies in the production of goods and services.

Specialization increases productivity. It also requires trade and increases interdependence.

Terms to know

- **specialization:** Focusing on one or a few products
- interdependence: Two or more people depending on each other for goods and services

Colonies	Specialization	Examples of Interdependence	
New	o Fishing, shipbuilding, naval supplies, metal tools and equipment	o The New England colonies depended on the Southern colonies for crops such as tobacco, rice, cotton, and indigo.	
England		o They depended on the Mid-Atlantic colonies for livestock and grains.	
Mid- Atlantic	O Livestock, grains, fish	O The Mid-Atlantic colonies traded with the Southern and New England colonies to get the products they did not produce. O The Mid-Atlantic colonies depended on the Southern colonies for tobacco, rice, indigo, and forest products.	
		o They traded with the New England colonies for metal tools and equipment.	
South	o Tobacco, rice, indigo, forest products (lumber, tar, pitch)	o The Southern colonies depended on the New England colonies for manufactured goods , including metal tools and equipment. O They depended on the Mid-Atlantic colonies for grains and other agricultural products not	
		plentiful in the South.	

STANDARD USI.5D

COLONIAL LIFE

d) colonial life in America from the perspectives of large landowners, farmers, artisans, merchants, women, free African Americans, indentured servants, and enslaved African Americans;

The colonies were made up of different groups of people whose lives varied greatly depending on their social position.

Large landowners

- Lived predominately in the **South**
- Relied on indentured servants and/or enslaved
 African Americans for labor
- Were educated in some cases
- Had rich social culture

Farmers

- Worked the land according to the region
- Relied on family members for labor

Artisans

- Worked as **craftsmen** in towns and on plantations
- Lived in small villages and cities

Merchants

Worked to buy and sell goods to the colonists

Lived in towns and cities

White Women

- Worked as caretakers, house-workers, and homemakers
- Were not allowed to vote
- Had few opportunities for getting an education

Free African Americans

- Were able to own/inherit land in some cases
- Had limited economic freedom and could work for pay and decide how to spend their money
- Had varying degrees of freedom and were not allowed to vote (men or women)

Indentured servants

- Were men and women who did not have money for passage to the colonies and who agreed to work without pay for the person who paid for their passage
- Were **free** at the end of their contract

Enslaved African Americans

- Were captured in their native Africa and sold to slave traders; then were shipped to the colonies where they were sold into slavery
- Were owned as property for life and did not have any rights.
- Were often born into slavery (i.e., children of enslaved African Americans were born into slavery.)

STANDARD USI.5E

RELATIONS BETWEEN COLONIES & GREAT BRITAIN

e) political and economic relationships between the colonies and Great Britain.

Great Britain established and attempted to maintain control over the colonies.

Economic relationships

- Great Britain imposed strict control over trade.
- Great Britain taxed the colonies after the French and Indian War.
- The colonies traded raw materials for goods made in Great Britain.

Political relationships

- Colonists had to obey British laws, which were enforced by governors.
- Colonial governors were appointed by the king or by the proprietor.
- A colonial legislature made laws for each colony but was monitored by the colonial governor.