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Essential Question: *Why did people from many nations settled in the middle colonies?*

Main Idea 1:

The English created New York and New Jersey from former Dutch territory.



New York

- Dutch founded New Netherland in 1613 as fur trading post
- New Amsterdam was center of fur trade
- Peter Stuyvesant led the colony from 1647-1664
- English captured colony in 1664 and renamed it New York

New Jersey

- English take control in 1664
- The colony occupied land between the Hudson and Delaware rivers
- Had diverse population, including Dutch, Swedes, Finns, and Scots



Surrender of the Dutch at Manhattan.

Main Idea 2:

William Penn established the colony of Pennsylvania.

- Society of Friends, or Quakers, was one of largest religious groups New Jersey
- Quakers, who supported nonviolence and religious tolerance, were persecuted
- William Penn founded Pennsylvania, a larger colony for Quakers provided a safe home.
- Penn limited his power, established an elected assembly, and promised religious freedom to all Christians.



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Main Idea 3:

The economy of the middle colonies was supported by trade and staple crops.

- The middle colonies different from the northern and southern colonies.



Generous land grants and religious tolerance brought people to middle colonies.

- Middle colonies had good climate and rich soil to grow staple crops, crops that are always needed



The staple crops in the middle colonies were wheat, oats, and barley.



There were slaves, in the middle colonies.

The labor needs of the middle colonies were mainly met with indentured servants.

- Trade to Britain and the West Indies was important to the economy of middle colonies



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Women's Contributions

- Ran **farms** and businesses, such as clothing **stores**, drugstores, and **bakeries**
- Some were **nurses** and midwives
- **Most** worked primarily in the **home**
- Married women managed **households** and raised **children**

