

## Colonial Vocabulary

### Economic Vocabulary

Export – a product sent to another country and sold

Import – a product brought into one country from another

Free market economy – the people, not the government, decide what will be produced

Free enterprise – the economic system in which people may start any business that they believe will succeed

Debtor – a person who owes money

### Roanoke and Jamestown

Charter – a document giving permission to a person or group to do something

Invest – to put money into something to try to earn more money

Stock – piece of ownership in a company

Cash Crop – crop that people grow to sell and earn money

Indentured Servant – someone who agreed to work for a number of years in exchange for the cost of a voyage to North America

### New England Colonies Vocab

Pilgrim – A person who makes a journey for religious reasons

Compact – an agreement

Growing Season – time of year when it is warm enough for plants to grow

Town Meeting – gathering where colonists held elections and voted on the laws

Dissenter – a person who does not agree with the beliefs of their leaders

### Middle Colonies Vocab

Proprietor – person who owned and controlled all the land in a colony

Representative – someone who is chosen to speak and act for others

Treaty – An official agreement between nations or groups

Artisan – a person who is skilled at making something by hand

Laborer – a person who does hard physical work

Apprentice – someone who studies with a master to learn a skill or business

### Southern Colonies Vocab

Plantation – large farm in which crops are raised by workers who live on the farms

Legislature – group of people with the power to make and change laws

Refuge – a safe place

Indigo – plant that can be made into a dark blue dye

Overseer – person who watches and directs the work of others