

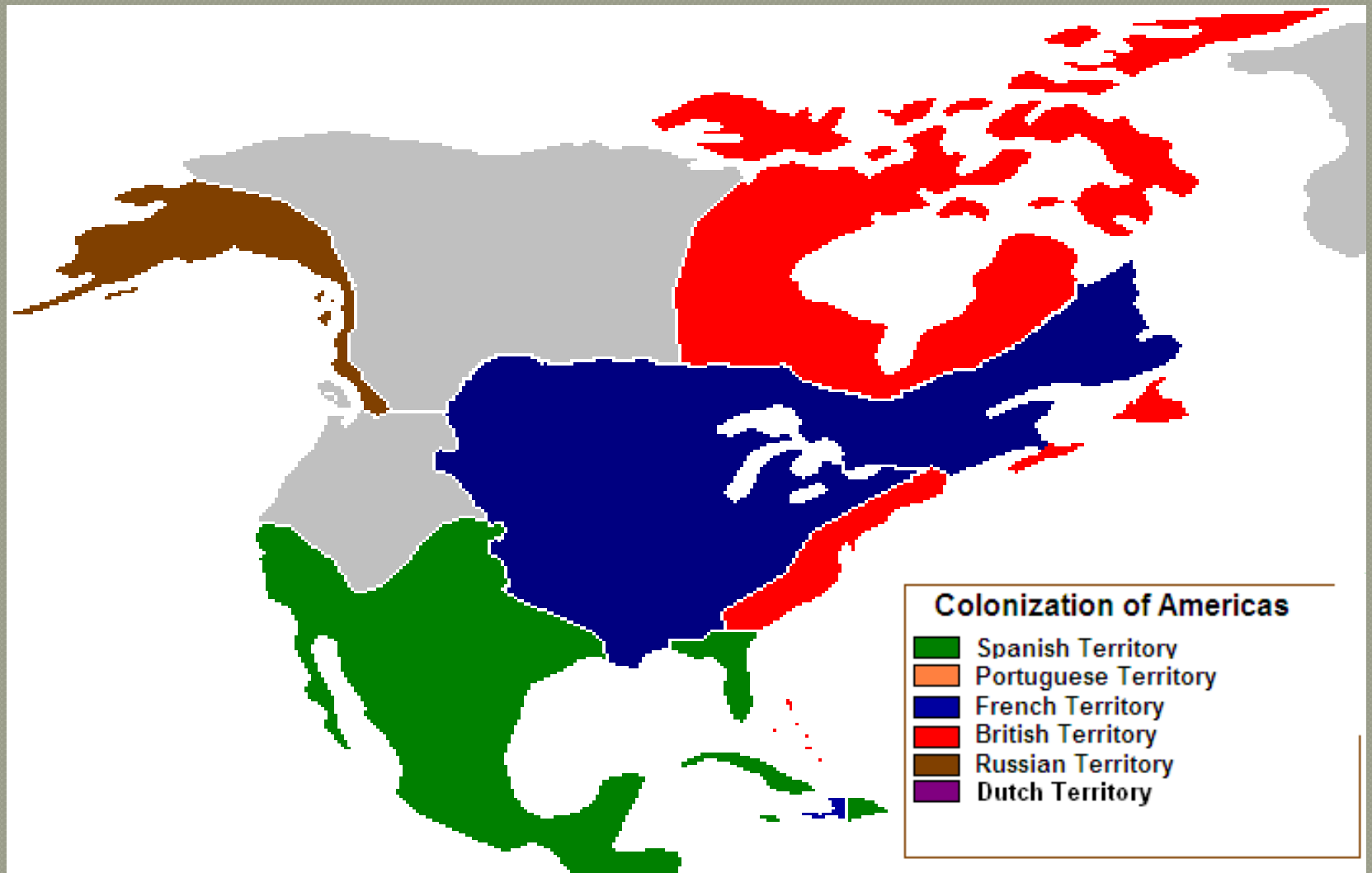
DO NOW

- Pretend you have the chance to make a brand new society, and that you have decided that you want to use this opportunity to make a “utopian” (perfect) society. Thinking about this ideal society, what factors do you think are important in making a society successful? What would you do to make your society be perfect?
- Continue writing until I say stop.

The First Permanent Settlement

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European Settlement of North America



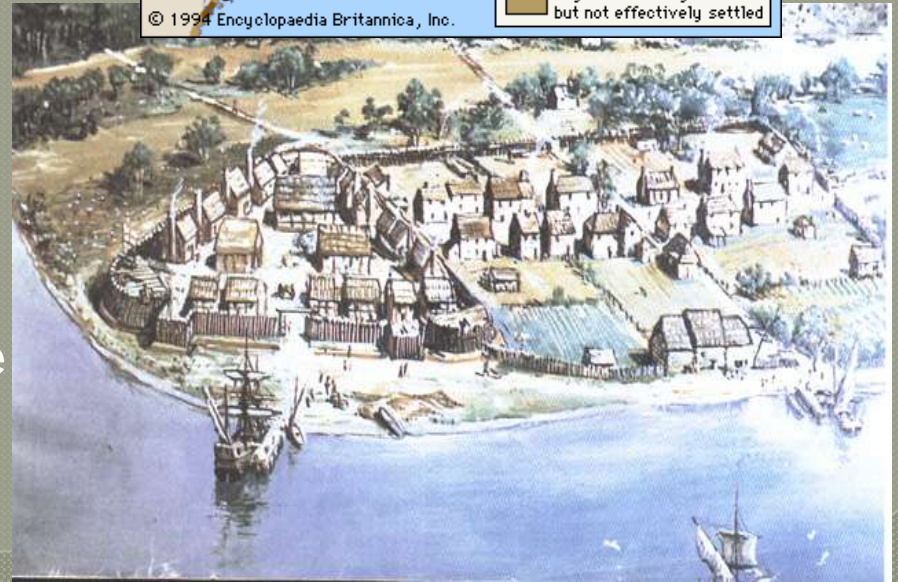
First French Permanent Settlement

- Quebec (Canada): first permanent French settlement (1608)
- On high ground along St. Lawrence River; excellent for:
 - Carrying out their fur trade
 - Establishing more colonies along the river
 - Providing good military position
- Another focus: Converting Natives to Christianity



Jamestown, Virginia

- Virginia Company granted a royal charter.
 - Set out to find gold and land
- Arrived in 1607
- First British permanent colony.
- Located on Chesapeake Bay
 - Good for shipping
 - Also good for agriculture (farming)
 - However, swamp-land also bred malaria...



Relations with Natives

- 24,000 Indians united under powerful chief, Powhatan.
- Powhatan wanted an alliance with the British.
 - He especially wanted their metal weapons.





Tobacco

- Settlers needed a crop with which they could make a profit.
- Tobacco grew well in Virginia due to the long, hot, humid summers.
- Could be shipped back to England for a great profit.
- This attracted more people to Virginia to own land and farm.
 - The Virginia Company also offered free land.

Relations with Natives

- John Smith: Virginia is “overgrown with trees and weeds, being a plain wilderness as God made it.”
 - Needed to be ‘improved’ into more profitable farmland
- 1609 - war breaks out between colonist and Powhatan’s army
- 1613 – British capture Pocahontas.
 - Powhatan ends war.

House of Burgesses

- Formed in 1619.
- Two representatives from each community.
- Had to be 17 years old, a landowner, and male.
- Almost all very wealthy.
- The first representative colonial assembly.



Transition to a Royal Colony

- Two types of colonies:
 - Royal colonies
 - Proprietary colonies
- In 1624, the King took over from the Virginia Company and placed a Governor in charge of Virginia.
 - Governor William Berkeley.
- “I thank God, there are no free schools nor printing in Virginia, and I hope we shall not have these for a hundred years; for learning has brought disobedience and heresy...into the world, and printing has [spread] them, and libels (untruths) against the government. God keep us from both!”

Bacon's Rebellion

- As colonists spread inland, they faced increasing tension with the Natives.
- War breaks out in 1675.
- Settlers wanted to kill all the Natives.
 - Governor Berkeley would not allow it.
 - Berkeley also imposed additional taxes on farmers.
- Led by Francis Bacon, settlers marched on Jamestown, forced out Berkeley, and burned Jamestown.

Bacon's Rebellion

- “Bacon's Rebellion showed that poorer farmer's would not tolerate a government that catered only to the wealthiest colonists. The colony's leaders reduced the taxes paid by the farmers and improved access to frontier land.”

-Your Textbook

- Stop and Jot: Do you think Francis Bacon should be considered a hero of American history?

Create a Brochure

“You work for the Virginia Company in England. Your task is to research the Jamestown colony, then create a brochure that explains the colony and might convince them to come to Jamestown themselves. Your brochure must answer the following questions”:

- Jamestown was named after what leader?
- Jamestown was founded in what year?
- What makes Jamestown especially important to US History (what is it best known for)?
- John Smith convinced what group of people to help the early colonists?
- What crop saved Jamestown colony?
- Why were Africans slaves brought to Jamestown?
- Why was tobacco important?
- What was the House of Burgesses?
- What was Bacon's Rebellion?

Grading Rubric

- Does the brochure include all the information asked for?
- Is all the information accurate?
- Is the brochure organized, attractive, and neatly presented?
- Is it creative?
- Is there at least one mini-article?
- Are there illustrations?

Diary/Journal Entry

- To evaluate the success of the English settlement at Jamestown, you will write a diary/journal entry from 1680 as one of the following:
 - an investor in the Virginia Company,
 - an indentured servant,
 - a frontier settler,
 - tobacco planter,
 - or a member of Powhatan's tribe.

- Your entry should have references to factual events and be very descriptive. It should answer the question, "Is this settlement a successful society, from my point of view?" A successful diary entry should be at least 2-3 paragraphs.

Exit Quiz

- 1.) What was the name of the first permanent French colony?
- 2.) What was the name of the first permanent British colony?
- 3.) What crop allowed the first permanent British colony to survive?

Exit Quiz

- 4.) Why is the House of Burgesses important to US History?
- 5.) Why didn't Powhatan and the Native Americans *immediately* go to war with the English settlers?