

**PrepUS History**  
**Unit 1 – The Colonial Era**  
**Pilgrim Facts – Incorrect Statements**

Correct each of the following statements by crossing out the incorrect word and writing the correct word above it. Use the handout provided to find the correct answers.

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For Example:                Mrs. Wagner's room number is ~~234~~.

**REASONS THE PILGRIMS LEFT ENGLAND**

1. The people who didn't like the Church of England created a new church and they were called Anarchists.
2. The Separatists moved to Iceland to find religious freedom.
3. The Separatists decided to leave Holland because they had a hard time finding good food.

**STARTING OVER, AGAIN**

4. The Separatists wanted to start a colony near present day Portland, ME.
5. The Separatists joined with a group of investors to form an insurance company.
6. In return for the supplies the investors gave them, the colonists agreed to send gold and silver back to England.
7. The colonists had to send back goods for 25 years to pay off their debts.

**THE VOYAGE TO A NEW LIFE**

8. One of the colonists' ships, the *Speedwell*, leaked so badly that the ship sunk on the way.
9. The ship that finally made the voyage across was called the *Atlantic*.
10. In all, there were 250 people on board the *Mayflower*.
11. The Separatists on the boat called themselves "Pilgrims" and they called the people who were not Separatists "Outsiders."
12. Today we call all of the passengers on the *Mayflower* Puritans.
13. The voyage lasted 30 days.
14. No people died along the way.

**LAND IS SIGHTED!**

15. The *Mayflower* had to anchor in Cap Cod Bay because of Native American attacks.

16. There were only a few native tribes living in Massachusetts and Rhode Island at the time.
17. The Natives in the area were part of the Abanaki nation.
18. The Natives attacked the colonists because they wanted to capture them and sell them into slavery.
19. The Mayflower Compact was an agreement about how much land each passenger would get.

### **PLYMOUTH, A NEW COLONY**

20. It took the colonists 35 days to finally arrive and settle in Massachusetts Harbor.
21. Two thousand Patuxet Wampanoag died in a hurricane that occurred between 1616 and 1619.
22. Squanto did not die because he was resistant to the diseases.
23. The old Patuxet lands had many things the Pilgrims needed:
  - a. A good ship
  - b. A dirty water supply
  - c. Fields that were planted
  - d. No hostile wolves
  - e. A hill where they could build a church

### **A TOUGH, SAD BEGINNING**

24. Most people lived in England while their houses were being built in Plymouth.
25. Two or three Pilgrims died every day during the first two months because of heart attacks and cancer.
26. 100 Pilgrims died the first year.
27. When the *Mayflower* returned to England all of the colonists chose to leave with it.

### **TWO CULTURES MEET**

28. Samoset was from the Monhegan tribe in New York.
29. Samoset spoke Italian so he could communicate with the colonists.
30. The leader of the Wampanoag was named Massasoit and he signed a land treaty with the governor of Plymouth.
31. Squanto and Hobbamock did not help the colonists at all while they lived at Plymouth Plantation.

### **THANKSGIVING, 1621**

32. The three-day celebration to give thanks for their first harvest was in November of 1621.
33. Five Wampanoag attended the celebration of games, signing and food.
34. Today this holiday is known as Columbus Day.

#### **INTERESTING TIDBITS ABOUT CHILDREN**

35. Five-year-old Pilgrims were not responsible for much because of their age.
36. Girls around age 16 took care of younger siblings, sewed, cooked meals, helped with the harvest, and did housework.
37. Children were not allowed to play games.
38. Colonists admired the way that the Native people took care of their children.

#### **CHILDREN'S CLOTHING**

39. Boys and girls wore dresses made of cotton.
40. The colors blue, gray, red, green, yellow and brown were not used on children's clothing.

#### **OLDER GIRLS' AND WOMEN'S CLOTHING**

41. The women did not wear petticoats.
42. Sometimes the collar was a separate part and tied to the bodice (shirt).
43. The skirt usually fell to the knee.
44. Women always wore headbands while they were working.
45. Women wore their hair down.
46. Black and white clothing was worn often.

#### **OLDER BOYS' AND MEN'S CLOTHING**

47. Men would not wear lace collars and cuffs.
48. Men who were outcasts wore a gown over the top of their clothes.
49. Stockings were ankle length.
50. Men wore buckles often.
51. Black clothing was worn every day.

## **PLYMOUTH AFTER THANKSGIVING, 1621**

52. When John Billington Jr. got lost in the woods outside of Plymouth he was killed by the Natives.
53. When the new ship *Fortune* arrived at Plymouth, the colonists had a lot of food to share with them.
54. During the next three years the Pilgrims prospered.
55. The colonists owned the land that they were given in 1623.
56. In order to end the drought the Pilgrims held a day of prayer and fasting. It did not work because at the end of the day the drought continued.
57. Most of the newcomers to Plymouth were unknown by the colonists who were already there.
58. The joint-stock company that started Plymouth Colony grew rich.
59. The colonists paid off the debt of the colony very quickly.
60. Individual families were never given their own land.