

# Colonial America Scavenger Hunt Activity

## Materials:

- 18 Colonial America fact cards (pages 2–6)
- Colonial America questions worksheet (pages 7–8)
- scissors
- scotch tape

## Preparation

Print the fact cards and cut them apart.

Make copies of the Colonial America questions worksheet (2-sided). Each student will need his or her own copy.

Hide the 18 Colonial America fact cards around your classroom where students will be able



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## Management tips

You may want to make this a silent activity so students don't share answers with each other.

You can have the kids work by themselves or with partners.

Don't be afraid to hide the facts in tough places. Kids think it's more fun when they have to search around a little.

## Examples of good hiding spots might include:

- sticking out of a book, like a bookmark
- the back of the classroom door
- lying flat on the classroom bookshelf
- on the side of the bookshelf
- on the back of the teacher's chair

*Have a plan for students who finish early. You may want to have an assignment for them to complete when they're done, or you may have them help other students find fact cards.*



### Scavenger Hunt

## Colonial America

Fact Card

# 1



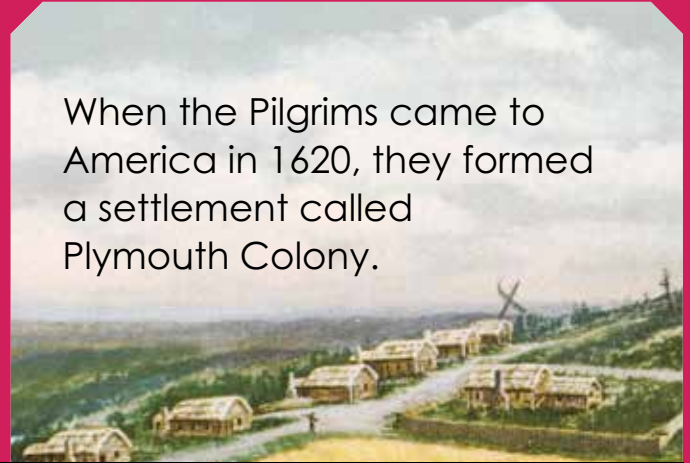
In 1620, Pilgrims came to America aboard a ship called

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Fact Card

# 2



When the Pilgrims came to America in 1620, they formed a settlement called Plymouth Colony.



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## America

# 3

Georgia was named after King George II of England.



## America

# 4



In colonial times, many children attended school in small, one-room schoolhouses.

Children in 1st through 8th grades would all be in the same classroom learning together.



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Fact Card

# 5



The colony of Rhode Island's full name was Rhode Island and Providence Plantations.

This was actually the state's official name until 2020 when voters decided to drop

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Fact Card

# 6



New York used to be a Dutch colony called New Amsterdam. It was later named New York, after King Charles II's



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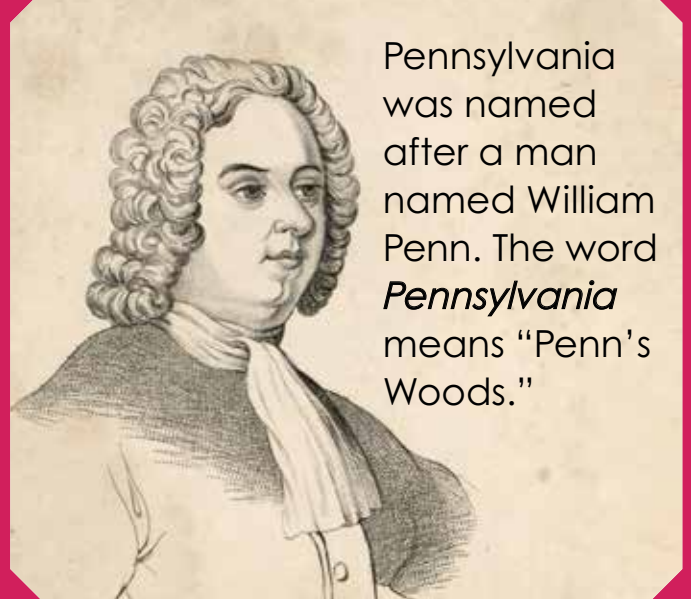
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Today's U.S. state of Maine was once part of Massachusetts Bay Colony.

## America

# 8



Pennsylvania was named after a man named William Penn. The word *Pennsylvania* means "Penn's Woods."

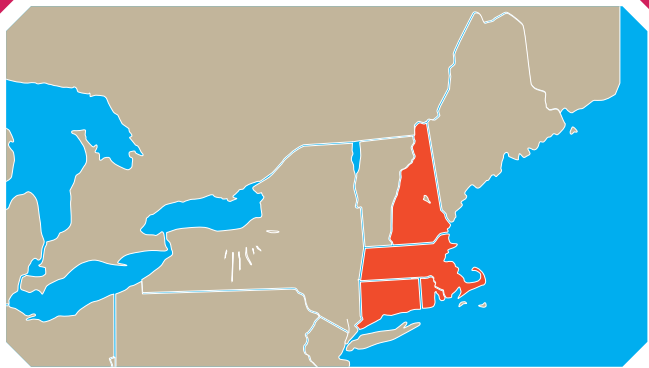


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Fact Card

# 9



The northern colonies

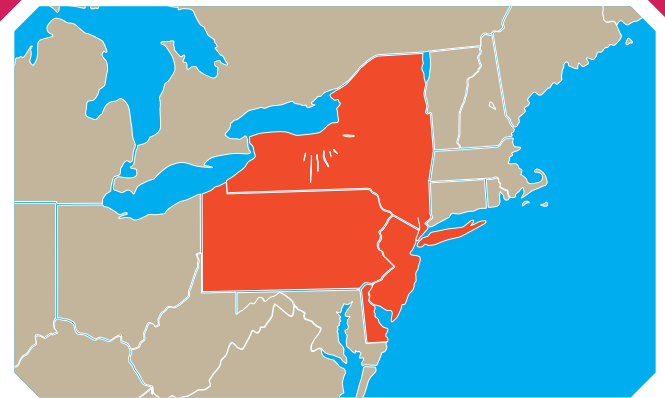
(Massachusetts, Connecticut,

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Fact Card

# 10



New York, Pennsylvania, New

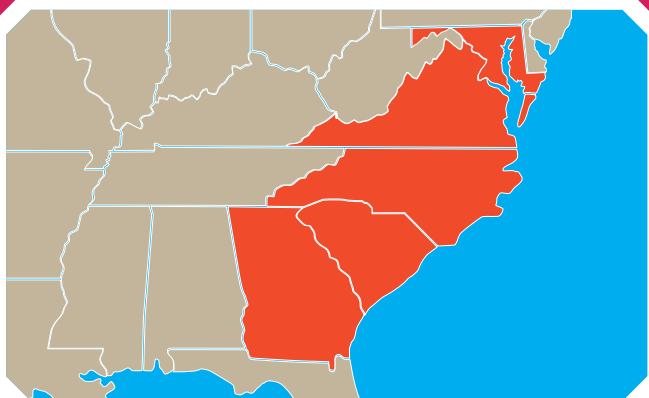


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## America

# 11



Virginia, Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Georgia were known as the *Southern Colonies*.

## America

# 12



The Southern Colonies had many large farms, called plantations, which grew tobacco, cotton, and rice.



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Fact Card

# 13



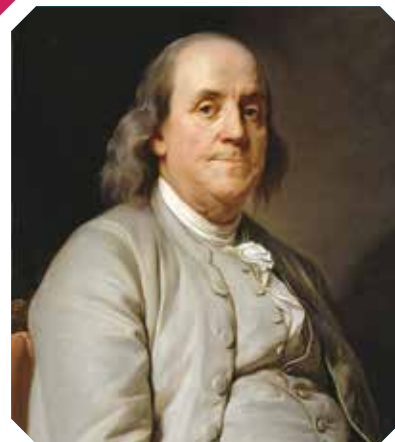
Many African people were kidnapped and brought to the colonies. They were

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# 14



Benjamin Franklin lived in America during colonial times. He had many



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## America

# 15



People in Colonial America had many different jobs.

A cobbler made and repaired shoes. A tanner made saddles and leather clothing from animal skins. A cooper made large barrels from wood.

## America

# 16



A blacksmith was a person who made and repaired things made from iron. He made horseshoes, and farming tools. A wheelwright made wagons and wheels.



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Fact Card

**17**



Native Americans taught the early colonists how to grow corn. The corn was used to make cornbread.

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**18**



Colonial America ended in the year 1776, when the Declaration



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# Colonial America Scavenger Hunt

**Fact Card 1:** What was the name of the ship that the Pilgrims traveled on when they came to America in 1620?

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**Fact Card 2:** What was the name of the colony formed by Pilgrims in 1620?

\_\_\_\_\_

**Fact Card 3:** Georgia was named after which British king?



**Fact Card 6:** New York used to be a Dutch colony called...

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**Fact Card 7:** Today's U.S. state of Maine was once part of...

\_\_\_\_\_

**Fact Card 8:** What does the word *Pennsylvania* mean?

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**Fact Card 9:** Name the four New England Colonies.

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**Fact Card 10:** Name the four Middle Colonies.

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**Fact Card 11:** Name the five Southern Colonies.

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**Fact Card 12:** Name three crops that were grown on southern plantations.



**Fact Card 15:** What was a cooper's job?

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**Fact Card 16:** Someone who made wagons and wheels was a...

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**Fact Card 17:** Name three things colonial Americans made from corn.

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**Fact Card 18:** What famous document was signed in 1776, marking the end of Colonial America?

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## Colonial America Scavenger Hunt

**Fact Card 1:** What was the name of the ship that the Pilgrims traveled on when they came to America in 1620?

**Mayflower**

**Fact Card 2:** What was the name of the colony formed by Pilgrims in 1620?

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**Fact Card 9:** Name the four New England Colonies.

**Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island, New Hampshire**

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**Fact Card 10:** Name the four Middle Colonies.

New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware

**Fact Card 11:** Name the five Southern Colonies.

Virginia, Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia

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**Fact Card 18:** What famous document was signed in 1776, marking the end of Colonial America?

the Declaration of Independence