The First English settlements

ENGLAND = MONARCHY (KING/QUEEN IN CHARGE)

- •COLONIES = RAW MATERIALS FOR ENGLISH INDUSTRIES
- ENGLAND SEEKS TO COLONIZE LAND IN NORTH AMERICA BEGINNING IN THE 1580S



The Lost colony of Roanoke

- •A MAN NAMED SIR WALTER RALEIGH WAS CHOSEN TO START AN ENGLISH COLONY IN THE NEW WORLD
- •115 SETTLERS SET UP CAMP ON ROANOKE ISLAND (OFF THE COAST OF NORTH CAROLINA) IN 1587
- A MAN NAMED JOHN WHITE WAS SUPPOSED TO GOVERN THE COLONY
- •AS WINTER APPROACHED, JOHN WHITE SAILED BACK TO ENGLAND TO GET SUPPLIES FOR THE COLONISTS



Where did everyone go?



•IN 1588 ENGLAND WENT TO WAR WITH SPAIN, WHILE JOHN WAS THERE GETTING SUPPLIES

•NO ONE WAS ABLE TO RETURN TO ROANOKE ISLAND TO CHECK ON THE SETTLERS UNTIL 1590... THREE YEARS LATER

•WHEN THEY RETURNED, ALL THE SETTLERS HAD DISAPPEARED WITHOUT A TRACE

•THE ONLY CLUE WAS THE WORD CROATOAN CARVED INTO A TREE

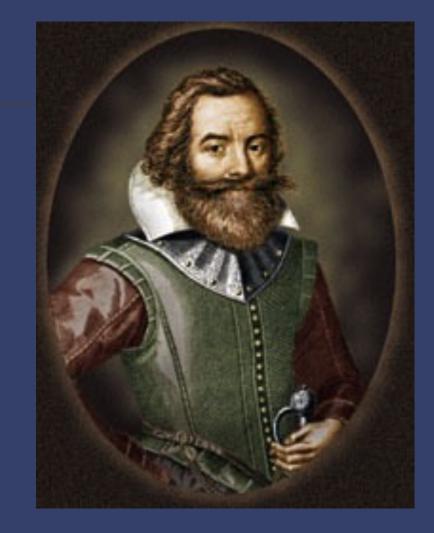
•THIS IS STILL ONE OF HISTORY'S BIGGEST MYSTERIES!

Jamestown

- •THE VIRGINIA COMPANY OF LONDON FORMED IN 1607- WEALTHY MEN WHO WANTED TO MAKE MORE MONEY
- •KING JAMES I SUPPORTED THIS GROUP AND GRANTED A CHARTER TO ESTABLISH A COLONY
- •CHARTER: A DOCUMENT ISSUED BY A GOVERNMENT THAT GRANTS SPECIFIC RIGHTS TO A PERSON OR COMPANY
- •SPRING OF 1607, 104 MEN SAILED TO CHESAPEAKE BAY AND BUILT A FORT THAT THEY NAMED JAMESTOWN

John Smith

- •THE ORIGINAL SETTLERS DID NOT DO WELL THEIR FIRST WINTER, THEY DID NOT HAVE FOOD
- •CHIEF POWHATAN OF THE LOCAL NATIVE AMERICAN TRIBE SUPPLIED SOME FOOD BUT MANY DIED
- •JOHN SMITH WAS SENT FROM LONDON IN 1608 TO LEAD THE COLONY AND HELP IT FLOURISH
- •HIS RULE: "HE WHO WORKS NOT, EATS NOT."
- •WOMEN WERE ALSO BROUGHT TO JAMESTOWN TO GROW THE COLONY





The starving time

•WHEN THE JAMESTOWN SETTLERS DID NOT STORE ENOUGH FOOD FOR WINTER, JOHN SMITH RAIDED CHIEF POWHATAN'S VILLAGES AND STOLE FOOD...

- •THE NATIVE AMERICANS WERE NOT COOL WITH THAT
- •1609 JOHN SMITH WAS INJURED AND RETURNED TO ENGLAND

•THE SETTLERS DID NOT WORK WHILE HE WAS AWAY AND DID NOT HAVE FOOD

•THE NATIVE AMERICANS REFUSED TO HELP

•By the end of the winter in 1610 only 60 people survived

Virginia, the first coony

- •VIRGINIA COMPANY OF LONDON CONTINUED INVESTING IN JAMESTOWN
- EVENTUALLY THE SETTLERS OF JAMESTOWN BUILT MORE FARMS WHERE TOBACCO WAS THE MAIN CROP
- •THE FIRST COLONY OF VIRGINIA WAS FORMED
- •HOUSE OF BURGESSES: THE LAWMAKING BODY THAT GOVERNED VIRGINIA WITH A REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT
- Representative Government: the form of government in which voters elect people to make LAWS FOR THEM

The Plymouth colony

- BEGINNING IN THE 1500'S ENGLAND FACED RELIGIOUS WARS, MANY WERE PERSECUTED
- •IN 1620 A GROUP CALLED SEPARATISTS (BECAUSE THEY WANTED TO SEPARATE FROM THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND) DECIDED TO SETTLE IN VIRGINIA
- •PILGRIM: A PERSON WHO TAKES A RELIGIOUS JOURNEY (THE SEPARATISTS ARE PILGRIMS)
- •THEY SAILED ON THE MAYFLOWER SHIP BUT WERE BLOWN OFF COURSE AND LANDED IN MASSACHUSETTS





The Mayfioller compact

- BECAUSE THE PILGRIMS LANDED OUTSIDE OF VIRGINIA, THEY BELIEVED THEY WERE OUTSIDE OF VIRGINIA'S LAWS
- •THEY STILL NEEDED RULES
- •BEFORE THEY WENT ASHORE, THEY WROTE AND SIGNED THE MAYFLOWER COMPACT
- THEY FOCUSED ON A GOVERNMENT WITH "JUST AND EQUAL LAWS."
- THE MAYFLOWER COMPACT IS THE FIRST DOCUMENT WHERE AMERICAN COLONISTS CLAIMED THE RIGHT TO GOVERN THEMSELVES

The First Thanksgiving

- •THE PILGRIMS LANDED TOO LATE TO PLANT OR HARVEST CROPS
- •THE NATIVE AMERICANS HELPED THEM BUT MANY DIED
- •IN THE SPRING CHIEF SQUANTO TAUGHT THE PILGRIMS HOW TO PLANT CROPS
- •AT HARVEST TIME IN 1621 THE PILGRIMS DECIDED TO SET ASIDE A DAY OF THANKS FOR THEIR GOOD FORTUNE

