

COLONIZATION GRAPHIC ORGANIZER (Study Guide)

	New England Colonies	Middle Colonies	Southern Colonies
Reasons founded	religious freedom, better land	religious freedom, trade	religious freedom, trade GA- Judges sent unwanted people/ protection from Spain and France
Location	First settlement: Plymouth colony Major towns: Boston, Providence, Newport Rhode Island (RI) Massachusetts(MA) New Hampshire (NH) Connecticut (CT)	Began with Dutch settlements Major towns: New York City, Philadelphia New York (NY) Pennsylvania (PA) Delaware (DE) New Jersey (NJ)	First settlement: Jamestown Major towns: Savannah, Charleston Maryland (MD) Virginia (VA) North Carolina (NC) South Carolina (SC) Georgia (GA)
Geography & Climate	Rocky, forests, hilly, poor soil, limited farming, short growing season; Long, cold winters Cool summers	Fertile soil that was good for cash crops, flat land, swift rivers, wide valleys, good harbors Cold winters Warm summers	Long growing season and rich, fertile soil; many rivers; forests; tidewater region along the coast; broad coastal plains Mild winters Hot, wet summers
Types of Settlers	English, Puritan farmers, Pilgrims	Quakers, Dutch, French, Germans, Scot-Irish, artisans, farmers, laborers	English aristocrats, plantation owners, small farmers, indentured servants, slaves
Religion	Puritan religion was very important Very strict Superstitious	Quakers, Catholics, Jews, protestants Religious tolerance	Church of England; Catholics (Maryland) Religion not as important in these colonies
Economics & Industry	Small farms, merchants, craftsmen, trading Shipbuilding, whaling, lumber, fishing Over time manufacturing became important	Most people were farmers, grain crops were important, livestock, cash crops, mining, trading Called the “Breadbasket” Mills were important	Known for its large plantations (tobacco, rice, indigo) Dependent on slave labor Fewer crafts
Educational Opportunities	Schooling for boys and girls; important that everybody could read the Bible, advanced schooling for boys Harvard founded in 1636	Fewer schools than New England Started by religious groups and run mainly by churches Princeton	Planters’ sons taught at home by tutors; fewer schools Religion did not play a big role in education College of William and Mary