

Colonial America Vocabulary (2017)

artisan- a person skilled in a particular art

cash crops- a crop that people grow to sell to others

colony - a group of people living in a new territory but retaining ties with the country they came from.

New England Colonies - Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island

Middle Colonies - Delaware, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania

Southern Colonies - Georgia, Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia

export- to ship goods to other countries to sell

farmer - worked the land according to the region

immigrant- a person who moves to another country to live

import- to bring goods in from a foreign country to sell

indentured servant- a person who came to America and was placed under contract to work for another over a period of time, usually 7 years

large landowners - owned land and had indentured servants and slaves working for them

persecute- to harass or treat with hostility

plantation- a large farm on which cash crops are grown

religious freedom - being able to have your own religious beliefs without being persecuted

Pilgrims- the original settlers of Plymouth Colony in Massachusetts

Puritans- a religious group that wanted to change some religious practices of The Church of England

Quakers- a religious group that believes all people are equal and good; they believe in solving problems peacefully

slaves- were owned by plantation owners and could not earn their freedom

tolerance- respect for the beliefs of others that are different from your own

trade - an exchange of property usually without use of money

women - worked as caretakers, house workers, and homemakers