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# WHY DID THEY COME?

"We must find new lands from which we can easily obtain raw materials and at the same time exploit the cheap slave labor that is available from the natives of the colonies. The colonies would also provide a dumping ground for the surplus goods produced in our factories."

- British Statesmen Cecil Rhodes

# **WHY DID THEY COME?**

They sought... "a better, and easier place of living...drawne away by evil examples into extravagance and dangerous courses" with "the great hope, for the propagating and advancing the gospel of the kingdom of Christ."

- Puritan leader William Bradford

# **WHY DID THEY COME?**

"Sir, they are a race of convicts, and ought to be thankful for anything we allow them short of hanging."

- British statesmen Samuel Johnson

# **WORDS & PEOPLE TO KNOW:**

Granted by the King to one or more Proprietary Governors who were granted governors who were granted governmental powers over that colony.  They were run under a colonial charter agreement, which meant that the proprietor was ultimately responsible to British law and the King.  Used by the King to reward his allies  Examples: early New York, early New Jersey, Delaware, Pennsykvania, Maryland, and the Carolinas.  By 1690 the idea fell out of favor with the King. Why do you think?	King granted a charter to the colonal government establishing the rules under which the colony was to be governed. All of the colonial charters guaranteed to the American colonists the rights and privileges of a British citizen Charters were often awarded to businesses  Examples: Rhode Island, Connecticut, and Massachusetts Bay In 1685, King James II, tried to revoke all of the charters. Why do you think he wanted to do this?  CT and the "Charter Oak"	Ruled or administered by a Royal Governor and royal council who were appointed by and responsible to the king of Britain     Royal Colonies had a representative assembly that was elected by the people.     Examples: New Hampshire, New York, New Jersey, Virginia, North and South Carolina, and Georgia
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# Originally left Britain for Holland Separatists: believed that separation from the Catholic Church and reform in the Anglican Church was not sufficient and wanted to establish their own religion First came to America with the Virginia Company and settled in Plymouth, MA According to John Winthrop they sought to establish "a city upon a hill" Mayflower Compact Leader: William Bradford (Governor) DID NOT wish to break from the Anglican Church, wanted to "purify" it. Settled in New England in the Massachusetts Bay Colony Were extremely strict and believed that the human state was "one of sin and depravity" Predestination and Calvanism Not open to different opinions Leaders: John Winthrop (Governor), Cotton Mather



- Founded by Roger Williams and Anne Hutchinson at
- Providence
   Williams had been banished by Puritan leaders for his ideas about religious freedom and separation of church and state
- Purchased the land from the American Indians
- Rhode Island became a haven for those seeking religious freedom
- One of the largest slave-trading centers in the world



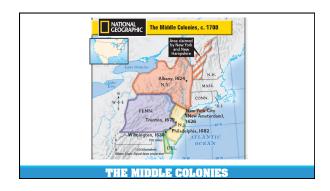


RHODE ISLAND



- Founded in 1639 by puritan Thomas Hooker in Hartford
- · Did not agree with Massachusetts Bay
- Believed government should be based on "the free consent of the people, to whom belongs the choice of public [officials] by God's own allowance"
- Colony was not legally authorized until King Charles issued a charter in 1662
   Story of the "Charter Oak"

CONNECTICUT



- Originally a Dutch colony called New Netherland
  Purchased from the Indians for \$24
  British seized control in 1664 and remained it New York in honor of its proprietor James, the Duke of York who had been awarded the colony by his brother King Charles II (REVIEW). What type of colony is this?)
  New Netherlands and Maine
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- Duke would permit the colonists to elect an assembly

  New Jersey

  The Duke gave two large pieces of land to his friends Sir George Carteret and Lord John Berkeley and they founded New Jersey

  To attract settlers, religious freedom was
- promised
- James Duke of York would later become King James II



**NEW YORK & NEW JERSEY** 



- Quaker William Penn requested a colony from King Charles II

  - Charles had owed a debt to William's dad
     Charles wanted to get rid of William
  - Quakers refused to bow before the ling, pay taxes, and fight in wars
- Penn named the colony after his father "Penn's Woods"
- Penn heavily advertised his colony
   Great Law of 1682: promised religious freedom
- and equality to anyone who came
   Penn made Pennsylvania the first democracy in America

# PENNSYLVANIA

- founded in 1638 by Peter Minuit and the New Sweden Company.
   fell under British control in 1664 and
- William Penn was given the deed
  - He attempted to merge the governments of Pennsylvania and Delaware but it did not and in 1701 Penn agreed to having two separate assemblies.



# DELAWARE



THE SOUTHERN COLONIES - THE TOBACCO COLONIES

- Businessman Sir George Calvert (Lord Baltimore) became a Roman Catholic.

  - In England, Catholics were treated harshly.
    Calvert wanted to start a colony "founded on religious freedom where there would not only be a good life, but also a prosperous one for those bold enough to take the risk."
- · Calvert died before the King could issue him a charter and instead it was issued to his son Cecil Act Concerning Religion: passed to protect the
- religious rights of all Christians. 1st law guaranteeing religious liberty
- Primarily aimed to protect Catholics who had become outnumbered



CECILIUS CALVERT, LORD BALTIMORE.

MARYLAND

- Constant war with Spain became a draw on Founded in 1606 when the king
  - - Founded in 1606 when the king granted charters to two branches of the Virginia Company (London Company & Plymouth Company)

      Jamestown: 1<sup>st</sup> successful permanent British colony in the New World

      Chesapeake Bay: Plymouth company. Would later be
- company. Would later be abandoned in 1609

   Economy was based on Tobacco trade
- Dependent on Indentured servitude and slave labor



## VIRGINIA



- Charter was granted in 1663 by Charles II to 8 proprietors in return for financial and political support
   Charles wanted a buffer to
  - prevent Spain from moving northward
- 1691: Dispute over governance forced a split between north and south
  - Each had a governor appointed

# NORTH & SOUTH CAROLINA



- · Last colony
- Founded by James Oglethorpe & King George II
  - Land of debtors to escape jail
  - Calony also served as a buffer preventing the Spanish from moving up out of Florida
     Oglethorpe banned slavery, alcohol and large plantations
     Left colony after 12 years due
  - - to citizen unhappiness

# GEORGIA

ACTIVITY TIME!!!	