

# Unit 1 Pre-Reading Questions and Objectives

Define the major pieces of vocabulary and answer the basic questions **in complete sentences** before class each day. Use the provided page numbers from <http://www.ushistory.org/textbooks.htm> to help you before any other Internet resource. If you have trouble completing this before class, please see your teacher before school.

## 1.01 Describe the diversity of Native American culture in Pre-Columbian America.

[For questions 1 & 2](#)

1. What was **Beringia** and why is it historically significant ?
  
2. How did the diets and lifestyle of early Native Americans change from 10,000 BC to 300 BC?
  
3. For each group below describe how their geographical location or environment *impacted* their lifestyles or the fate of their tribes.
  - a. The **Anasazi (1b)**:
  
  - b. The **Algonkian Tribes (1c)**:
  
  - c. The **Inuit (google)**:
  
4. What does it mean when historians say **Iroquois** society was **Matrilineal (1d)**:
  - a. What role did women play in the Iroquois government?

## 1.02 Understand the motivations of 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> Century key explorers

**Directions:** Complete the chart using the link provided: [Exploration in North America](#)

<u>Country</u>	<u>Explorer(s)</u>	<u>Impact and Area of Exploration</u>
Portugal		
Spain		
France		
Netherlands		

England		
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**1.03 Compare and contrast Spanish, French and English Colonies and motivations for settlement.**

1. **Treaty of Tordesillas (Google):**
2. **Encomienda System: (Link)**
3. **Mestizos (Google)**
4. **Joint-Stock Company (2b)**

**1.04 Describe the Southern colonies in terms of: Geography, economy, government, religion, and social hierarchy.**

1. What was the significance of the Roanoke Colony? (**google**)
2. What was the first **permanent** English colony? (**5**)
3. What was the most important **cash crop** in the Southern Colonies? What were two other important crops? (**5 & 5B**)
4. What was the purpose for founding the Maryland Colony? What about the Georgia colony? (**5A & 5D**)
5. Use the the following site to define each of the following and provide 1 example for each:

[Types of Colonies](#)

a. **Proprietary Colony:**

b. **Charter Colony:**

c. **Royal Colony:**

6. What was the significance of the **House of Burgesses?** (google)

**1.05 Describe the Middle colonies in terms of: Geography, economy, government, religion, and social hierarchy.**

1. Why are the middle colonies often referred to as the “Bread Basket” of the colonies? ([Link](#))
2. Which religious and ethnic groups existed in the Middle colonies? Name them. (4b)
3. To what degree did religious tolerance exist in the middle colonies? Explain your answer. (4b)
4. **Quakers:(4b)**

**1.06 Describe the New England Colonies in terms of: Geography, economy, government, religion, and social hierarchy**

1. **Mayflower Compact:** Why was the Mayflower Compact significant in the creation of the United States as a country? (3a)
2. **Fundamental Orders of Connecticut:** Why were the Fundamental Orders of Connecticut significant in the creation of the United States as a country? (3f)
3. **Difference between Puritans v. Pilgrims:** ([link](#))
4. What was the significance of the “**City on a Hill**” sermon, given by John Winthrop? (3c)
5. Who was **Anne Hutchinson**? Why were her actions so controversial? (3e)

6. What was the main industry in the New England Colonies? Why? (google)

**1.07 Explain how growing tensions between Native Americans and Colonists led to conflict.**

1. **Pequot War: (google)**

2. **Anglo-Powhatan War: (2e)**

3. **King Phillip's War: (google)**

4. **Bacon's Rebellion: (google)**

5. What is the common theme among these conflicts between Natives and Colonists?

6. **Iroquois Confederation: (google)**

**1.08 Trace the evolution of indentured servitude and African American slavery in the colonies.**

1. **Indentured Servitude: (5b)**

2. **Middle Passage (6b)**

3. Where some examples of the **Virginia Slave Codes**? ([Link](#))

4. How did Bacon's Rebellion affect the use of indentured servitude? (google)

**1.09 Describe early colonial society in terms of culture, religion, and gender roles.**

1. Patriarchal: (google)

2. The Salem Witch Trials:(3g)

3. The Great Awakening: (7b)

a. Why was the First Great Awakening important for future political movements?