

England's American Colonies

Lesson 2.1 The Southern Colonies Take Root

Define these Key Terms on a separate sheet of lined paper.

charter
joint-stock company
Powhatan
John Smith
House of Burgesses
royal colonies
proprietary colonies
Bacon's Rebellion
Lord Baltimore
James Oglethorpe

Academic Vocabulary – For Reference Only – Review before you read each section.

confine: to keep a person in a small area

contempt: treating someone or something as unimportant

enrage: to make someone very angry

stagnant: not changing or growing

Complete the following tasks on a separate sheet of lined paper.

England Establishes Colonies in North America:

1. **Compare and Contrast** Use T-Chart to compare and contrast the attitudes and actions of the American Indian leaders Powhatan and Opechancanough toward the English colonists. Take notes as you read through the texts in this lesson.
2. **Summarize** Why did English colonists believe that they would quickly grow rich in Virginia?
3. **Draw Inferences** What did Powhatan wish to gain by allying with the English colonists?
4. **Cite Evidence** How did the English colonists view the American Indians? Cite evidence from the text.

Early Challenges in Jamestown:

5. **Identify Cause and Effect** Why was the colony at Jamestown nearly a failure?
6. **Analyze Interactions Among Individuals and Events** What events allowed the Jamestown colony to survive?

Expansion in Virginia Creates Conflict:

7. **Paraphrase** Reread the quote from William Berkeley, the governor of Virginia. What does it reveal about his qualities as governor?
8. **Draw Conclusions** What does Bacon's Rebellion reveal about political tensions in the early colony of Virginia?

England Expands Its Southern Colonies:

9. **Summarize** What social problems in England led to the founding of Maryland and Georgia?
10. **Compare and Contrast** In what ways were the early English colonies different from the early Spanish or French colonies?

Success Criteria – Answer on a separate sheet of lined paper.

1. **Explain** why England wanted colonies and how they were planned.
2. **Describe** how Jamestown was settled, why the colony struggled, and how it survived.
3. **Explain** the relationship between American Indians and settlers in the Southern Colonies.
4. **Discuss** how Maryland, the Carolinas, and Georgia were settled.