

**Colonies: Part 1
Unit Overview**

1. Colonies in North America were established for Religious and Economic reasons.

Colony	Reasons for Establishment
Roanoke Island (1st community)	Economic
Jamestown	1 st permanent English Settlement in the New World (1607)
Plymouth	Separatists from the Church of England Religious Persecution
Massachusetts Bay	Puritans Religious persecution
Pennsylvania	Quakers Religious Freedom
Georgia	Debtors Economic Freedom

2. Life in the colonies reflected the geographical features of the settlements

Colonial Region	Geography & Climate	Economy	Social Life	Political & Civic Life
New England	Appalachian Mountains, Boston Harbor, hilly terrain, rocky soil, jagged coastline	Fishing and whaling, shipbuilding industry and naval supplies, trade and port cities.	Village and church as center of life Religious reformers and separatists.	Town meetings
Mid-Atlantic	Appalachian Mountains, coastal inlets (harbors and bays, wide and deep rivers), rich farmlands	Livestock and grain, trading. Unskilled and skilled workers	Villages and cities Varied and diverse lifestyles. Diverse religions	Market Towns
Southern	Appalachian Mountains, Piedmont, Atlantic Coastal Plain, good harbors, rivers, Humid climate	Large farms and plantations, cash crops, wood products, small farms, slavery	Plantations (slavery), mansions, indentured servants, few cities, few schools, Church of England.	Counties