



Cool History for Middles

Year Three, Week 6

QUESTIONS FROM THE READINGS

1. Who were the Puritans? _____

2. How did King James feel about Puritans? _____
3. Which Pilgrim took young William Bradford under his wing and taught him the Scriptures? _____

4. How long did the Pilgrims live in the Netherlands before they moved to New England? _____

5. The Pilgrims learned about New England from a book called *A Description of New England*. Who wrote this book? _____
6. How many Pilgrims sailed aboard *Mayflower*? How many Strangers? _____

7. A leaky ship forced the Pilgrims to turn back twice. What was this ship called? _____
8. Just before the Pilgrims arrived, a disaster wiped out thousands of Native Americans in New England. What was this disaster called? _____
9. TRUE OR FALSE: An English sea captain named Thomas Hunt hired Squanto to work on his ship and translate for him. _____
10. Squanto spent five years away from his home village, Patuxet. What did he find when he returned? _____

11. The Saints and Strangers signed an important document before they landed. Basically, it said that all free people would have a voice in the government of their new colony. What was this document called? _____

12. Who led the Pilgrims' little army? _____
13. In the spring of 1621, a nearly-naked Native American strode boldly into the Pilgrims' meeting house and said, "Welcome, Englishmen!" What was his name? _____
14. That same spring, a Wampanoag leader signed a peace treaty with Governor John Carver. Name this Wampanoag leader. _____



15. Governor Carver died that same year. Who was the next Governor of Plymouth Colony? _____

16. Squanto taught the Pilgrims to use a strange fertilizer for corn. What fertilizer? _____

17. When did the Pilgrims celebrate the first Thanksgiving? _____
18. What were the Three Sisters? _____

CHALLENGE QUESTIONS

1. When the Puritans asked King James to get rid of his bishops, James answered: "No bishop, no king!" What did he mean? _____

2. FILL IN THE BLANK: Puritans who split off from the Church of England were called _____.
3. FILL IN THE BLANKS: The Pilgrims originally came from the town of _____,
Nottinghamshire, England. The government treated them so badly that they moved to
_____, the Netherlands in 1608. Most of them moved on to _____, the
Netherlands in 1609. They finally moved to the New World in _____ (year).
4. FILL IN THE BLANKS: All Pilgrims lived by a strict set of religious rules called the _____
_____.
5. The Pilgrims started their worship services with something called "dignifying the meeting." What did this mean? _____

6. The Pilgrims never sang with instruments, and never sang harmony. Why? _____

7. What with all the delays, the Pilgrims didn't reach Plymouth Colony until November 1920. Why was their lateness such a big problem? _____

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OPTIONAL BONUS QUESTION/ACTIVITY

The Saints and Strangers chose a secret place to bury their dead that first winter, so that the Native Americans wouldn't know how many of them had died. What was this secret place called?