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|  | **Roanoke** | **Jamestown** | **Plymouth** |
| **Reason for Founding (Motives)** | * Better life * More power for England (first settlement in the New World) | * Gold and riches | * Religious Freedom * Wanted to **separate** themselves from King James/Church of England * Better life |
| **Date of Settlement** | * 1584 (First) | * 1607 (Second) | * 1620 (Third) |
| **Description of Colony/Location** | * Island off the coast of North Carolina * Wooded area * Fort * Eventually deserted | * Present day Virginia * Marsh land; swampy * Peninsula * Fort | * Present day Massachusetts * Near Cape Cod * Wooded area * Cold and harsh climate |
| **Challenges and Hardships faced by Colonists** | * Not many farmers so supplies ran short * Fighting between English colonists and Roanoke tribe * Threat of Spanish attack * Settled in wrong place | * On a marsh – bad farm land * Mosquitoes with malaria in marsh * Starvation * Wealthy people refused to work * No gold or goods to trade (at first) | * Harsh weather * Started settlement in winter (bad idea!) * Disease * Starvation |
| **Government** | * Managed by Virginia London Company and Sir Walter Raleigh (in England) | * House of Burgesses: elected representatives who made laws (only wealthy white men) * Democratic – the people and elected officials ruled unlike in England where royalty ruled | * Mayflower Compact: agreement of rules/laws written and signed by men on the Mayflower before they went on land to keep order * William Bradford – governor |
| **Important People – Who They Were and What They Did** | * Sir Walter Raleigh – sent settlers to Roanoke. It was his idea to start the settlement in Roanoke. * John White – Captain; went back to England for supplies; when he returned 3 years later Roanoke was abandoned. | * Captain John Smith – leader of colony; said, “If you don’t work, you don’t eat” to save the colonists from starving. * Pocahontas – Powhatan’s daughter who helped colonists survive by trading with them; saved John Smith’s life and married John Rolfe. * John Rolfe – discovered a new tobacco plant that settlers were able to trade with England for money/supplies. * Powhatan – American Indian chief who stopped trading with the colonists which caused the Starving Time. | * King James – reason Pilgrims left England. * William Bradford – governor of Plymouth. * Squanto – Native American who taught settlers how to plant crops and survive. * Massasoit – chief of the Wampanoags; made peace treaty with the Pilgrims. |