

name _____



Part A: Read the words.

hunt	hunted
land	landed
train	trained
clear	cleared
miss	missed
stuff	stuffed

Part B: Say the sounds.

ow	bl	cl	gl	pl	nk
sl	pr	ou	br	tr	wh
sh	gr	fr	ng	dr	cr

Part C: Read the words.

flour	howled	south	wow	townhouse	pop
mouse	scour	couch	cows	plowing	brown
towns	how	gown	now	townhouse	clown
sow	crowns	bowing	down	drowned	vows
ed-u-ca-te	ar-rest-ed	con-sti-tu-tion	ci-ti-zens	set-tle-ment	

Part D: Read about the colonists.

John Smith was born in 1580 in Willoughby, England. John's father died when John was sixteen. He was on his own. In 1607 he started a settlement in Jamestown, Virginia. Virginia was the first English colony in North America. In 1608 he became the president of the colony. He went to make friends with a Native American tribe, but they wanted to kill him. Pocahontas begged the chief, her father, to let John live. The chief released John, and they worked to become friends.

Roger Williams was born in London, England. He was born in 1603, but the exact date is not known. His birth records were destroyed in the Great Fire of London. He was well-educated and studied to become a minister. He sailed to the Massachusetts Bay Colony in America because he wanted to separate from the Church of England. This is called Separatism. He believed that people should have freedom of religion. They should be able to worship God the way they believed, and the government should be separate from church. The court of Massachusetts did not like his thinking and sent Roger into exile. In 1644 Roger travelled to England to get a charter that began the colony of Rhode Island.

William Penn was born in 1644, also in London, England. His family was wealthy so he was well-educated. William was a Quaker and did not want to attend the Church of England. He was arrested for being at Quaker meetings. His father was not happy and made William leave home. He was homeless and lived with other Quaker families. He became famous for writing in support of Quakers, and his father began to respect William's beliefs and courage. When his father died, he left William a large fortune. William asked the king if the Quakers could leave England and have their own colony in America. The king agreed. The colony was named Pennsylvania. It was one of the most successful colonies. He made Quaker schools open to all citizens. The Quakers were one of the first groups to fight against slavery in America. William's ideas for religious freedom, education, civil rights, and government led the way for our United States' constitution.

Part E: Write the answers to the questions on a sheet of paper.

1. Why is Roger Williams' exact date of birth unknown?
2. Who started the first colony in America?
3. What was the name of the first English colony?
4. Which colonist was a Quaker?
5. What is Separatism?
6. Who begged to save John Smith's life?
7. Which two colonists were born in London, England?
8. How did William Penn's father change his feelings toward William and his beliefs?
9. Why did Roger Williams come to America?
10. Why do you think William Penn named the new colony Pennsylvania?