

ABOUT THIS PACKET

The Reading Passages in this packet allow students to work on comprehension skills after reading the passage several times searching for evidence.

TASK	OVERVIEW
TASK 1: FILL IN THE BLANK	Using Close Reading strategies, students will use context clues to fill in the missing words in the reading passage. This will then be used as the main passage to use for the remaining tasks.
TASK 2: VOCABULARY	The vocabulary activity helps kids identify and understand new or unfamiliar words before they complete further activities.
TASK 3: RESPOND	Students will choose from three writing prompts and write their answer to just one of them using complete sentences.
TASK 4: TRUE OR FALSE	Students complete this activity to show overall comprehension of the passage. They may refer back to the passage when necessary. In the end, they add up the TRUE statements.
TASK 5: MULTIPLE CHOICE	For a quick formative check for understanding, students will answer 10 multiple choice questions.
TASK 6: WORD SEARCH	Students will search for key vocabulary words related to the topic. Several missed letters will spell out a secret message.
FINAL TASK: SUMMARY (OPTIONAL)	This is an optional summary graphic organizer to use if needed. Could be used for early finishers as an extension activity, or as a final check for understanding.
GRADE LEVEL	RANGE
4	MIDDLE
4	END
5	BEGINNING
5	MIDDLE
5	END
6	BEGINNING
6	MIDDLE
6	END
7	BEGINNING



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TASK #1: FILL IN THE BLANK

Directions: Use the words below to fill in the reading.

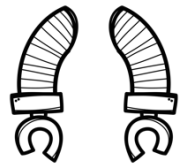
Virginia	seeds	representatives
John Rolfe	church	investors
town	1607	change

The first and permanent English settlement was established at Jamestown in _____, when English settlers moved to the New World. The Colony of Virginia was founded by a joint-stock company called the Virginia Company of London. The Virginia Company was a group of _____ who hoped to profit from the ventures into the New World. In 1611, a lieutenant governor named Sir Thomas Dale arrived in Virginia with three hundred new settlers, soldiers, supplies, livestock, and _____. Thomas Dale established Martial Law and strict military codes, inflicting harsh punishment upon lawbreakers in Virginia. In 1616, Sir Thomas Dale sailed back to London to get financial support. That same year, Sir George Yeardley was designated Deputy-Governor of _____.

To encourage private investments and settlements in Virginia, leaders of the Virginia Company gave instructions to Sir George Yeardley in 1618. This detailed set of instructions for reform (_____) was known as the "Great Charter." Yeardley helped establish the first representative government in Jamestown, known as the House of Burgesses. A representative government is made up of appointed officials that represent the people, create _____, and change laws. It was established because Virginians did not agree with the harsh laws set by Thomas Dale, and instead wanted to have the same laws and rights as those who lived in England.

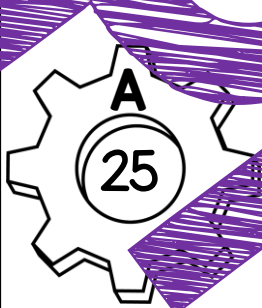
The House of Burgesses was the first legislative body (law making) in the colonies. The House of Burgesses was made up of twenty-two burgesses, or _____. Two delegates from each of the eleven settlements in Virginia, along with a British appointed council and the governor. This government first met on July 30, 1619, at a _____ in Jamestown. The meeting lasted six days. One of their first orders of business was setting a minimum price for the sale of tobacco. Tobacco was a cash crop, first introduced by _____ in 1613. The delegates decided to meet every year to maintain order and create new laws. These laws, however, could be vetoed (denied)

TASK #4: TRUE OR FALSE

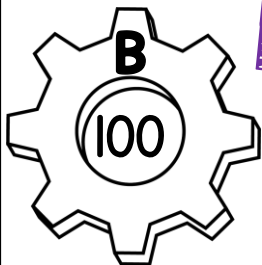
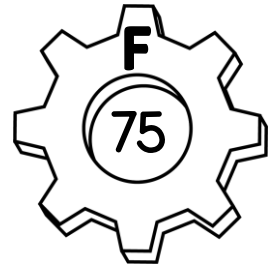


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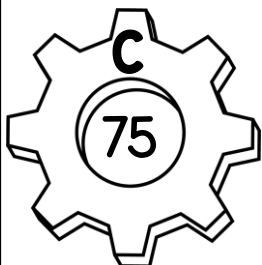
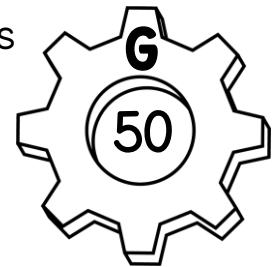
Read each statement below and determine if it is true or false. If the statement is true, color the gear that corresponds to that question. If it is false, cross out the gear. When you are finished add the **TOTAL** of ALL TRUE gears.



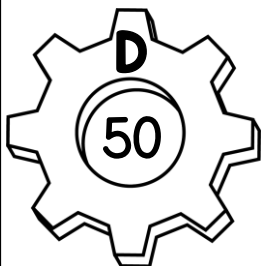
A. The House of Burgesses was made up of thirty-three burgesses.



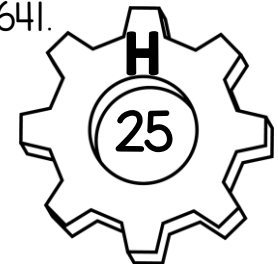
B. The Stamp Act taxed paper goods such as newspapers and playing cards.



C. America's first permanent English settlement was established at Jamestown.

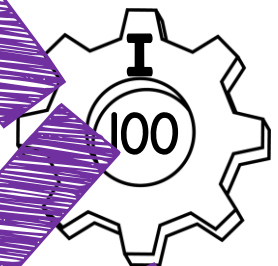


D. The House of Burgesses was the first legislative body (law-making) in the colonies.



E. King James I made Virginia an official colony in 1641.

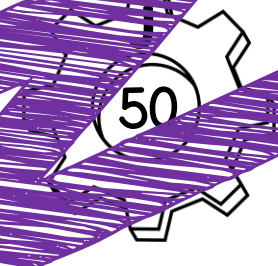
F. The Virginia Company gave instructions to Sir George Yeardley, known as the magna Carta.



G. The British government is known as Parliament.

H. Thomas Dale established Martial law and strict military codes.

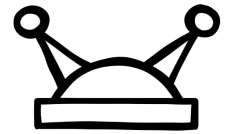
I. Jefferson represented Albemarle County.



J. Washington served in the House of Burgesses for 25 years.

TOTAL: _____

TASK #5: MULTIPLE CHOICE



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Complete the multiple choice questions below by circling the correct answer.

1. Where was Jamestown?

- A. New York
- B. Pennsylvania
- C. New Jersey
- D. Virginia

6. Sir Thomas Dale arrived in Virginia with _____ new settlers.

- A. 100
- B. 200
- C. 300
- D. 400

2. How many resolutions against the Stamp Act of 1765 were introduced by Henry?

- A. 5
- B. 7
- C. 9
- D. 11

7. Who gave the "give me liberty or give me death" speech?

- A. Washington
- B. Henry
- C. Jefferson
- D. Franklin

3. How many burgesses did the House of Burgesses have?

- A. 11
- B. 22
- C. 33
- D. 44

8. Which act taxed paper goods such as newspapers and playing cards?

- A. Stamp Act
- B. Tea Act
- C. Intolerable Act
- D. Quartering Act

4. King James I made Virginia an official colony in _____.

- A. 1624
- B. 1635
- C. 1652
- D. 1660

9. What is another word for the British government?

- A. Council
- B. Grand Senate
- C. Consensus
- D. Parliament

5. What word means 'plan of government'?

- A. Burgess
- B. Constitution
- C. Article
- D. Confederation

10. George Washington served in the House of Burgesses for _____ years.

- A. 5
- B. 10
- C. 15
- D. 20

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Complete all 6 tasks correctly, then color and assemble your robot.

