

WHAT'S INCLUDED?

- ✓ 10 SHORT PASSAGES
- ✓ 10 QUESTION TRAILS
- ✓ RECORDING SHEET
- ✓ ANSWER KEY
- ✓ STUDENT DIRECTIONS
- ✓ TEACHER DIRECTIONS
- ✓ EXTENSION ACTIVITIES

1 A colony is a territory or piece of land that is settled by groups of people but is governed by another country. The United States started off as 13 original colonies ruled by Great Britain and King George III.

3 The colonies were divided into 3 geographic regions: New England Colonies, the Middle Colonies, and the Southern Colonies. New England Colonies included Connecticut, Rhode Island, Massachusetts, and New Hampshire. Middle Colonies included Delaware, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and New York. Finally, Southern Colonies included Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Georgia.

→ The Southern Colonies had outbreaks of ___ and yellow fever. **CODE WORD**

5 Middle Colonies were a mix of both north and south in terms of geography. They had mountains and rivers as well as hills and flatter lands. The Middle Colonies had good farmland and agricultural conditions like good weather, as well as natural

7 The first colony that was founded was Virginia, when settlers landed in Jamestown in 1607. It was the first permanent English settlement in North America. Plymouth Colony in Massachusetts was founded in 1620 by people who came on the Mayflower in search of religious freedom. Later, the Massachusetts Bay Colony was established by John Winthrop. New Hampshire was founded in 1623 by John Mason. In 1633, the queen granted Lord Baltimore the area of land now known as Maryland. It was named in honor of Queen Henrietta Maria, the wife of King Charles I. It became a safe place for religious freedom.

→ Pennsylvania was founded when land was granted to ___ Penn by the king. **CODE WORD**

9 The Carolinas were a colony until 1712 when the New Jersey was founded. Pennsylvania was founded north of Delaware was Penn by the king. In 1733, the Georgia was founded to protect South Carolina from invasion by the Spanish and French in Louisiana.

→ What is another word for ___?

10 Even though settlers came to the colonies for different reasons, they all had one thing in common: they were looking for a better life.

TEACHER DIRECTIONS

THIS SCAVENGER HUNT HAS TWO PARTS:

Part 1: Kids will read 10 short passages which contain a "clue" or code word. After finishing each passage, students will need to write them down on the recording sheet.

Part 2: Using the code word on each reading card, students will need to unscramble the letters in the gray boxes on the answer sheet.

All you have to do is print the 10 reading cards and hide them! The more difficult the reading cards are, the more FUN the kids have AND the longer they will stay engaged!

You will need to print **PAGE 10** for EVERY student.

ANSWER SHEET

If the answer is more than one word, do NOT leave a space between words.

	FOUND CARD #
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FINAL WORD ANSWER: _____

VOCABULARY PRACTICE

Directions: Choose 5 words from the reading cards that are unfamiliar or new to you.

WORD

SUMMARIZE

TOPIC SENTENCE

SUPPORTING DETAIL SUPPORTING DETAIL SUPPORTING DETAIL

4 DIGIT CODE

Next, using the numbers in the FOUND CARD column in the SAME order in which you recorded them above; follow these clues.

Eliminate the highest and lowest number in the FOUND column.

Get rid of all numbers that are spelled with just one letter.

Eliminate numbers that start with the letter _____.

FINAL CODE

4 numbers remain (in order you listed them)? [] [] [] []

10 READING CARDS

1 A colony is a territory or piece of land that is settled by groups of people who are governed by another country. The United States started off as 13 original colonies ruled by Great Britain and King George III before becoming its own country. The 13 original colonies were all located along the Atlantic coast.

Connecticut and what other colony were founded in 1636?

3 The colonies were divided into 3 geographic regions: the New England Colonies, the Middle Colonies, and the Southern Colonies. New England Colonies included Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Massachusetts, and New Hampshire. Middle Colonies included New York, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania. Southern Colonies included Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Georgia.

The Southern Colonies had outbreaks of _____ and yellow fever.

5 Middle Colonies were a mix of both north and south in terms of geography. They had mountains and rivers as well as hills and flatter lands. The Middle Colonies had good farmland and agricultural conditions like good weather, as well as natural resources such as wood, coal, fur, and iron. The Middle Colonies did not have a specific religion and instead welcomed religious freedom. The Middle Colonies produced and exported so much wheat that they were known as the "breadbasket of the colonies."

The colonies were ruled by Great Britain and King _____ III.

2 The colonies brought people to America for many reasons, including religious freedom, money, and a fresh start. No matter the reason, more and more settlers came to the colonies.

4 New England Colonies had a lot of mountains with trees, rivers, and drier soil with rocks that made it a poor choice for agriculture (farming). They had natural resources such as wood from the trees, and fish. They had to import food and farming products from other colonies. The weather consisted of very cold winters but

6 Southern Colonies had coastal plains, forests, and fertile soil. The south worked on large farming estates (land where crops were planted) that grew cotton, tobacco, rice, sugar cane, and indigo (a blue dye). Much of the work here was done by enslaved individuals. Weather in the south was very warm which meant the spread of more diseases. Outbreaks of malaria and yellow fever were common. The south also had

7 The first colony that was founded when settlers landed in Jamestown. The first permanent English settlement was the Plymouth Colony in Massachusetts. People who came on the Mayflower sought religious freedom. Later, the colony was established by John Winthrop. Pennsylvania was founded in 1681. In 1633, the queen granted Lord Baltimore a charter for a colony as Maryland. Queen Henrietta Maria, the wife of Charles I. It became a colony that offered religious freedom.

_____ was founded when land was granted to _____ Penn by the king.

The Carolinas were named after King Charles I. New Jersey was founded in 1664 for the Duke of Gloucester. Pennsylvania was founded in 1681. North of Delaware was granted to William Penn by the king. In 1732, George Oglethorpe founded Georgia to protect South Carolina from invasion by the Spanish in Florida and French in Louisiana.

What is another word for farming?

ANSWER SHEET

If the answer is more than one word, do NOT leave a space between words.

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FINAL WORD ANSWER: _____

8 Connecticut was established by Puritans who did not believe Massachusetts was religiously strict enough, while Rhode Island was founded by those who wanted more religious freedom than Massachusetts offered. Both were founded in 1636. Delaware was founded in 1638 by Peter Minneton. New Sweden Company (it was originally founded by Sweden). North Carolina was founded in 1776 followed by South Carolina in 1670.

New _____ Colonies included Connecticut, Rhode Island and Massachusetts.

10 Even though settlers came from many different countries, eventually, the two dominant powers of the colonies became England and France. To fight for control of America, the colonies fought the Revolutionary War. In 1763, Britain fought against New France in the Seven Years' War and Indian War in 1754, the colonies won. Eventually, the colonies broke away from Britain to become an independent nation, the United States of America.

Which of the 13 colonies was founded first?

4 DIGIT CODE

Eliminate the numbers in the FOUND CARD # column in the SAME column in which you recorded an answer above to follow the clues.


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FINAL CODE: _____

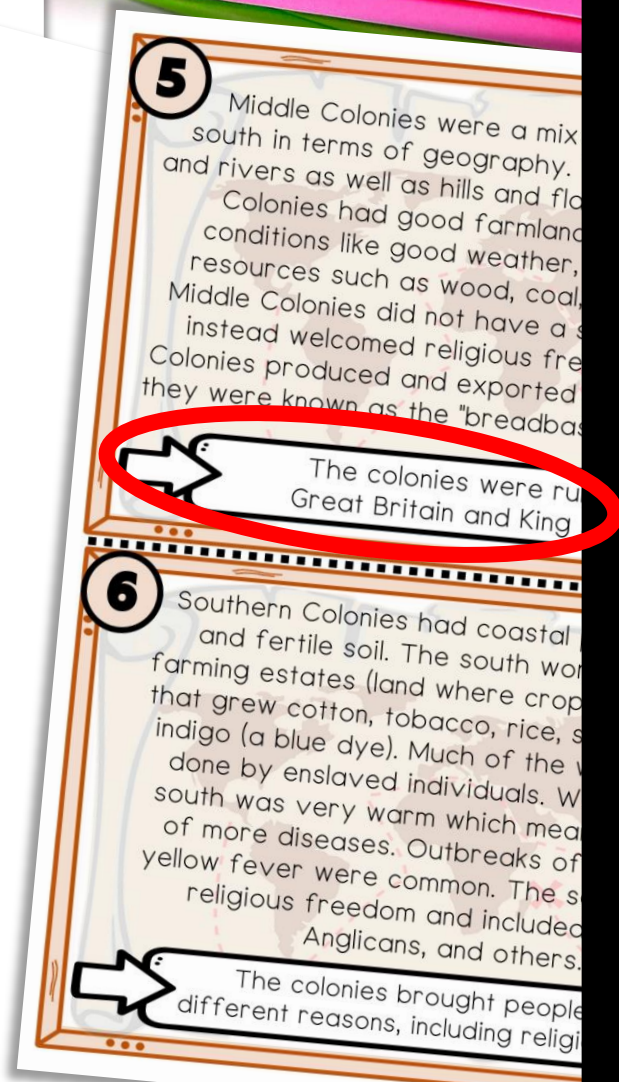
What 4 numbers make up the code in the order you found them?

HOW IT WORKS



ENGAGING READING COMPREHENSION PRACTICE!

- 1 Students work individually (or in pairs) and visit 10 reading cards scattered around the room.
- 2 Students read the passage and look at the question at the bottom labeled "code word".
- 3 The code word for THAT card number will lead them to a different card. But here's the catch... students will NOT know where to find the code word answer so they will have to skim, browse and revisit the reading cards several times to find the answer they are seeking.



COMBINATION



This scavenger hunt is a winning combination of:

- ✓ **movement**
- ✓ **close reading**
- ✓ **comprehension skills**
- ✓ **mystery words & codes**
- ✓ **citing evidence**
- ✓ **critical thinking**

Everything a teacher dreams of wrapped up into one FUN and engaging activity!

OPTIONS



THINK OUTSIDE THE BOX!

-  ANTICIPATORY SETS
-  EARLY FINISHERS
-  STATIONS
-  SUB PLANS
-  PARTNER WORK
-  ENRICHMENT

-  MOVEMENT
-  CROSS-CURRICULAR
-  HIGHLY ENGAGING

