

ORAL QUIZ ON THE PLYMOUTH COLONY

The points and level of detail given below are those which a lower-grammar student might be expected to know from his reading, though he may not include every detail. You may also use these points to prompt your student.

1. Who were the “Separatists”?
In the 1600’s, the Church of England was the official church and set the rules for how to worship God. It was illegal to disobey the rules. Separatists were a group of people who disagreed with these rules of the Church and separated themselves in order to worship and follow God as the Bible taught. Because of persecution, some of them fled to Holland.
2. Once some of the Separatists (known as Pilgrims) decided to leave Europe, on what ship did they sail to the New World?
The Mayflower
3. When did the Pilgrims arrive in the New World?
1620
4. What did they call their new settlement ?
Plymouth
5. Where was their settlement located?
Along Cape Cod Bay, near an abandoned Indian village
6. What was the Mayflower Compact?
The Mayflower Compact was a set of governing laws for the Plymouth colony that would ensure unity and order among the colonists.
7. What major difficulty arose for the colony during the first winter?
The first winter was very harsh, and they were not well prepared. By spring, more than half of the one hundred and two colonists died of fever and sickness.
8. How did God use the Indian Squanto to help the Pilgrims?
Squanto spoke English as a result of being kidnapped by English explorers and taken to Europe years earlier. He was able to communicate with the Pilgrims and showed them how to fertilize their corn crops by placing dried fish in the ground with the seeds. He also helped them maintain friendly relations with the area tribes led by Massasoit.
9. What happened after the Pilgrims’ first fall harvest?
With Squanto’s help, the colony had an abundant harvest the fall of 1621. Along with their Indian neighbors, they celebrated with a harvest feast which we call Thanksgiving.

1. WHO WERE THE "SEPARATISTS"?

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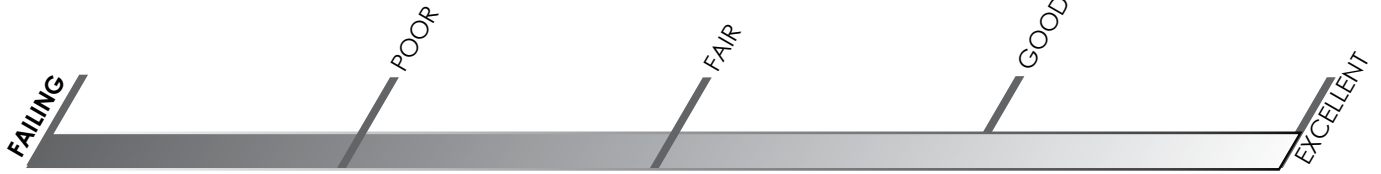
2. ON WHAT SHIP DID SOME OF THE SEPARATISTS (KNOWN AS PILGRIMS) SAIL TO THE NEW WORLD?

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3. WHEN DID THE PILGRIMS ARRIVE IN THE NEW WORLD?

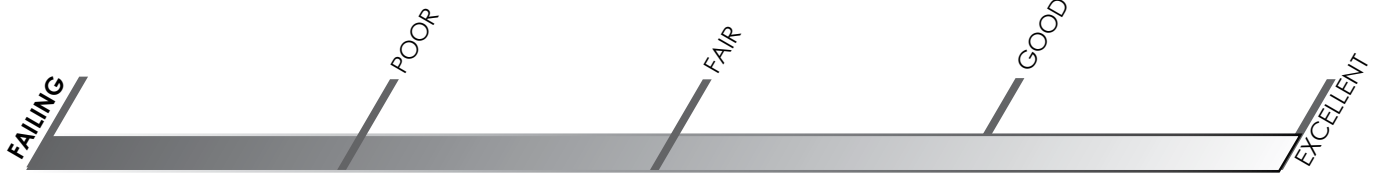
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4. WHAT DID THEY CALL THEIR NEW SETTLEMENT?



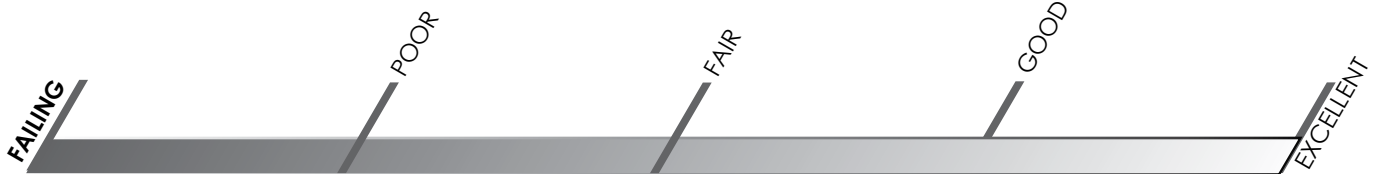
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5. WHERE WAS THEIR SETTLEMENT LOCATED?



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6. WHAT WAS THE MAYFLOWER COMPACT?



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7. WHAT MAJOR DIFFICULTY AROSE FOR THE COLONY DURING THE FIRST WINTER?

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8. HOW DID GOD USE THE INDIAN SQUANTO TO HELP THE PILGRIMS?

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