

# 13 Colonies Projects

You will need to choose **3** of the following projects to do. See due dates on back!

Some are group projects (marked by a "G") others are individual (marked by an "I")

You are allowed to work with anyone, not just people in your period, on the group projects.

- (I) 1. Make a model of Jamestown or Plymouth  
\*Create your representation of what either of these colonies looked like back in the early 1600's. Write a short summary about your colony and the hardships that were faced along the way. Justify why the colony was successful and predict how they United States may be different today had these colonies not been successful.
- (G/I) 2. Newspaper  
\*Create a newspaper that includes articles comparing and contrasting the differences between each of the three major regions. (New England, Middle, Southern) Write an editorial justifying what region you would live in and explain why. You need to also include an interview with the founder of the colony you are living in.
- (I) 3. Make a Map  
\*Make a map of the 13 Colonies. Label each state and list what region it was a part of (New England, Middle, Southern). Include when each colony started and who the founder of each colony was. You need to also provide a key. Color code each of your regions. (For example color all of the New England colonies blue). Argue what region would be the best place to raise a family and give reasons why.
- (G) 4. Video  
\*Dramatize what life was like on the colony or in camp. You need to state who the characters are, give an explanation of the camp or colony (where is it located, how many people live there, what are your jobs around camp, how do you survive).
- (I) 5. PowerPoint  
\*Create a 20 slide PowerPoint over all of the 13 Colonies (13 slides – one for each colony), Founders of the Colonies (3 slides), and issues (good or bad) that the Colonies faced (4 slides). You will need to include at least 10 pictures and at least 1 video. **(SEE ME IF YOU NEED HELP WITH THE VIDEO!)**
- (I) 6. Essay  
**OPTION #1**  
\*Type a 2-page essay, in standard report format, from the perspective of: **(Choose 1)**  
A: A parent who had a son taking his family to America to join one of the Colonies  
B: A child who is living in one of the 13 Colonies and what life is like from your perspective  
C: The founder of one of the 13 Original Colonies  
**OPTION #2**  
\*Type a 2-page essay, in standard report format, and infer what you think our country would be like had Spain kept complete control of the country and England had not gotten any colony established. How would schools, the way we live, our economy, and government be different? Or would they be different at all? Explain and give reasoning.
- (I) 7. Craft or Food  
\*Demonstrate a craft or skill that would have been customary during Colonial times. For example: candle making, food preparation, sewing, clothing, etc. **You will need to clear your idea with me!** Along with your craft, you need to write a paragraph description of why the colonists ate or made items in that particular way. Provide pictures of the step by step process you took in making your craft or food.

- (I) 8. Artifact  
\*Create a replica of some aspect of Colonial life. Include a description of who used it, validate what it was used for and why was it important to the success of Colonial life. Formulate why it is used or not used still today. Justify why changes were or were not made. You will also need to include pictures of you making the artifact in a step by step process. **You will need to clear your idea with me!**
- (I) 9. Timeline  
\*Create a timeline to include at least 20 important events that happened throughout the creation and development of the 13 Colonies. You must also include descriptions of each event as well as 5 pictures that **MUST** be cited!
- (I) 10. Journal  
\*Write 7-10 journal entries as if you were a colonist writing back home to England. You need to include dates, conditions of your colony/camp life, your job at the colony, things you have seen or discovered, the condition you are in, your thoughts about the way the colony is shaping up. Rate your experiences in your new colony to the ones when you were living back in England. Argue why you should or should not be living in your new colony. **Each** journal entry **MUST** be at least 5 sentences in length!
- (G/I) 11. Other  
\*If you have another idea than one that is listed here, come talk to me and we'll see if it will work. I'm open to your suggestions, so don't be afraid to ask! =)

# **DUE DATES**

**Project #1 – Due Thursday, February 11**

**Project #2 – Due Friday, February 19**

**Project #3 – Due Friday, February 26**

**EACH PROJECT IS WORTH 50 POINTS!**

**\*SOME POINTS WILL BE DEDUCTED FOR BEING LATE**

Do your BEST and make sure to HAVE FUN! **If you have questions, please make sure you ask!**

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