

## Colonial Virginia Review Sheet

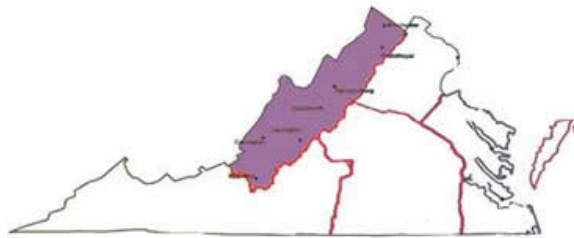
- 1. What was the first system of representative government in Virginia?** The General Assembly
- 2. What was the first elected legislative body in America?** The Virginia House of Burgesses
- 3. What forced Virginia Indians to move inland?** The English established settlements in VA.
- 4. What product expanded due to the arrival of African slaves?** Tobacco
- 5. How did the arrival of women in 1620 help the colony?** They helped to establish families and make the settlement more permanent.
- 6. What important event happened in 1640?** The House of Burgesses became a separate legislative body.
- 7. Be able to put events from these dates in chronological order:**
  - **1607:** Jamestown was established as 1<sup>st</sup> permanent English settlement
  - **1619:** Africans arrived in Jamestown against their will; General Assembly was established
  - **1620:** Women arrived to Jamestown
  - **1640:** House of Burgesses became a separate legislative body
- 8. What was Virginia's most profitable cash crop?** Tobacco
- 9. What is a cash crop?** A crop grown to sell (to make money) rather than to use
- 10. What did the economy of the Virginia colony depend on (where did their wealth come from)?** Agriculture (farming)
- 11. How did slavery affect the economy of the colony?** Slaves (who were brought against their will to work on plantations) were an inexpensive labor source
- 12. How did the slaves (first Africans) arrive in Jamestown? When did they arrive?** They were captured by Portuguese sailors in present-day Angola (be able to find on a map). They arrived in 1619.
- 13. Whenever people settle an area they change the landscape to reflect their what?** Culture (beliefs, customs, and architecture)
- 14. When people migrated to live in new areas, what did they do?** They adapted their old customs to their new environment.
- 15. In the early 1700's, what did England become known as?** Great Britain (or Britain)
- 16. What is architecture?** A man-made building, such as homes, barns, churches, or stores

17. Know the origin of these city names:

<b>Richmond</b>	English name
<b>Roanoke</b>	American Indian name

18. The culture of Virginia came from what 3 groups? Indians, Africans, and Europeans

19. What area of Virginia did the Germans and Scotch-Irish people settle mainly in?  
The Shenandoah Valley (be able to find on a map). [The dark shaded area below.]



20. What 2 groups settled mainly in the Coastal Plain and Piedmont? The English and Africans

21. Describe the economy in the Virginia colony:

- Agriculture was the primary source of wealth
- Tobacco was a cash crop sold to England
- The colony became dependent on slave labor

22. What is “buying now, paying later”? credit

23. What is money put away to spend later? Savings

24. What is another word that means trading or exchanging goods and services?  
Barter

25. What is a “debt”? A good or service owed to another

26. In what kind of homes did most people in Colonial VA live? Small, modest homes.

27. True or False: Most people bought their food at a store. False

28. Were there many banks in colonial Virginia? NO! Few people had paper money or coins, and bartering was common. Farmers paid off debt when crops were sold.

29. List the 3 capitals of Virginia in chronological order:  
Jamestown, Williamsburg, Richmond

30. Name three reasons the capital was moved from Jamestown to Williamsburg:

- Fire destroyed most of the buildings there
- Poor drinking water (water contaminated by seepage of salt water)
- Diseases caused by unhealthy living conditions

**31. Name three reasons the capital was moved from Williamsburg to Richmond:**

**(you will need to type sentences on your test!)**

- The population was moving westward
- Richmond had a more central location for trade
- It was easier to defend from possible British attack

**Review:**

**32. Who financed (sponsored) the settlement at Jamestown?** The Virginia Company of London.

**33. Using a map of Virginia, be able to tell the direction of travel between two points.** (Use your compass rose!)