

Unit 4 Vocabulary

1. **13 British Colonies:** The first 13 British settlements along the east coast of what is now the United States.
2. **Colonization:** When a stronger country takes control over another place or people.
3. **Cash Crop:** Crops grown to sell and make money, not for the farmer's personal use.
4. **Columbian Exchange:** The trade of plants, animals, ideas, and people between Europe and the Americas.
5. **Middle Passage:** A journey across the Atlantic Ocean where enslaved Africans were brought to the Americas under terrible conditions.
6. **Triangular Trade:** A trade route between Europe, Africa, and the Americas to help European countries get richer.
7. **Entrepreneur:** A person who starts their own business.
8. **Indentured Servant:** Someone who works without pay for a set time to repay a debt or earn their freedom.
9. **Roanoke:** An early British settlement in North Carolina, known as the "Lost Colony" because all the settlers disappeared.
10. **Jamestown:** The first successful British colony in America, located in present-day Virginia.
11. **Plantation:** A large farm, usually in the southern colonies, that grew cash crops like tobacco and cotton.
12. **Puritans:** A religious group that settled in New England to practice their beliefs and build communities.
13. **Quakers:** A religious group that believed in peace and equality; many settled in Pennsylvania.
14. **Charter:** A document from the king or queen giving permission to start and rule a colony.

15. **Protestant:** A person who belongs to Christian groups that broke away from the Catholic Church. Many colonists were Protestant.
16. **Catholic:** A person who belongs to the Roman Catholic Church. Many Catholics came to the colonies to practice their religion freely.
17. **Enslaved People:** People forced to work without pay or freedom, usually brought from Africa to work in the colonies.
18. **Royal Colony:** A colony controlled directly by the British king or queen.
19. **Proprietary Colony:** A colony owned by a person or a group of people given land and control by the British king or queen.
20. **Charter Colony:** A colony where settlers had permission to govern themselves with little interference from Britain.