

ESPN: eNvironment and **E**conomics of the 13 Colonies

Part 1: NEW ENGLAND eNvironment/**G**eography

COLONIES AND CITIES:

MA - _____

CT- _____

RI - _____

NH - _____

First Settlement in New England– 1620 - _____, MA (2nd English settlement in North America)

Major port city – settled 1630 - _____, MA

Geography (circle the correct description in *italics*):

- **Temperature** is *warm* or *cold*.
- **Humidity** is *humid* or *arid*.
- **Physical features** are dominated by *flat plains* or *rocky hills and mountains*.
- **Natural vegetation** is *forest* or *grassland*.
- **Coastline** has *many* or *few* natural harbors.
- *Limited* or *abundant* **wildlife & fish**.

Check & correct the section above before proceeding.

Part 2: Predict – Considering its geography, which economic activities would be the most profitable in New England? Why?

Part 3: NEW ENGLAND Economics

Compare predictions to the product map on page 77 of Glencoe's *The American Republic to 1877*:

Answer – Why did fishing, whaling, and shipbuilding dominate economics in New England?

What do the locations of all of the cities on the map have in common?

Why would all of the cities be found in this type of location?

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Part 1: MIDDLE eNvironment/Geography

COLONIES AND CITIES:

NY - _____

PA- _____

NJ - _____

DE - _____

Major port cities – _____, NY and _____, PA

Geography (circle the correct description in *italics*):

- **Temperature** is *very warm* or *cool to moderate* or *very cold*.
- **Humidity** is *humid* or *arid*.
- **Physical features** are dominated by *coastal plains* or *rocky hills and mountains* or *a combination of coastal plains and mountains*.
- **Coastline** is *a long line of natural ports* or *is dominated by two major ports*.
- **Natural vegetation** is *forest* or *grassland*.
- *Limited* or *abundant* **wildlife & fish**.

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Part 2: Predict – Considering its geography, which economic activities would be the most profitable in the Middle Colonies? Why?

Would farming be easier in the Middle Colonies than in New England? Why or why not?

Part 3: MIDDLE E Economics

Compare predictions to the product map on page 83 of the textbook:

Answer – What farming products dominated in the Middle Colonies?

What do the locations of most of the cities on the map have in common?

Why does there appear to be limited economic activity in the northern and western parts of the Middle Colonies?

Which Middle Colonies products are dependent upon the natural resources of the region?

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Part 1: SOUTHERN eNvironment/Geography

COLONIES AND CITIES:

VA - _____

MD- _____

NC - _____

SC - _____

GA - SC - _____

First successful English colony in America – 1607 - _____, VA

Chesapeake Bay port - _____, MD

Major southern port - _____, SC

Geography (circle the correct description in *italics*):

- **Temperature** is *warm* or *cold*.
- **Humidity** is *humid* or *arid*.
- **Physical features** are dominated by *rocky hills and mountains* or *wide coastal plains with mountains to the west*.
- **Coastline** has *many* or *few* natural harbors.
- **Natural vegetation** is *forest* or *grassland*.
- *Limited* or *abundant* **wildlife & fish**.

Check & correct the section above before proceeding.

Part 2: Predict – Considering its geography, which economic activities would be the most profitable in the Southern Colonies? Why?

Would farming be easier in the Southern Colonies than in the Middle Colonies? Why or why not?

Part 3: SOUTHERN E Economics

Compare predictions to the product map on page 87 of the textbook:

Answer – What farming products dominated in the Southern Colonies?

Which of these crops were not grown in the New England or Middle Colonies? Why?

What do the locations of all of the cities on the map have in common?

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