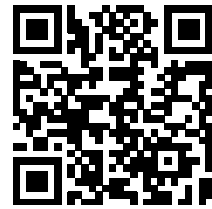


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# Elizabethan Era Explorations



The Elizabethan Era was a time of great exploration. During this period, England sought to expand its \_\_\_\_\_. One of the most famous attempts was the Roanoke Colony. Sir Walter Raleigh was granted permission by Queen \_\_\_\_\_ I to establish this colony in the New World. The settlers faced numerous challenges. They had conflicts with the local \_\_\_\_\_ and struggled to find enough food. John White, the governor, returned to England for \_\_\_\_\_. When he came back, the colony was deserted. The only clue was the word "Croatoan" carved into a \_\_\_\_\_. This mystery has intrigued historians for centuries. Some believe the settlers assimilated with the Native \_\_\_\_\_. Others think they tried to return to England and were lost at sea.

The story of the \_\_\_\_\_ Colony starts in 1585 when the first group of settlers arrived. They built a fort and tried to establish good \_\_\_\_\_ with the native tribes. However, tensions rose, and soon, conflicts started. The harsh environment made \_\_\_\_\_ difficult, leading to food shortages. Despite these hardships, the settlers hoped for a better future. When John \_\_\_\_\_ left for England, he promised to return quickly. Unfortunately, due to the war with \_\_\_\_\_ and the Spanish Armada, his return was delayed for three years. When he finally managed to get back to Roanoke, he found the \_\_\_\_\_ abandoned and no trace of the settlers. One of the most popular theories is that the settlers integrated with the nearby \_\_\_\_\_ tribe. Another theory suggests they moved further inland in search of better living conditions. Some believe they tried to sail back to \_\_\_\_\_ on their own but were lost at sea. The disappearance of the Roanoke Colony remains one of the greatest \_\_\_\_\_ of American history. This period of exploration was filled with both triumphs and tragedies, shaping the \_\_\_\_\_ of English colonization efforts in the New World.

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