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<u>Pilgrims'</u> Journey and the Mayflower Compact



In 1620, a group of Pi	lgrims set sail on the Mayflower.	They were seeking re	ligious
	and a new life in America. T	he journey was long a	nd dangerous. After 66
days at	, they reached the coast of what is now Massachusetts. They		
decided to settle at _			
Before leaving the sh	ip, the Pilgrims created a docum	ent. This document wa	s the
	Compact. It was a set of rul	es for governing their	r new colony. The
	was important because it wo	ıs based on the idea of	self-governance.
Everyone had to agree	e to follow the	for the good o	of the community.
The Mayflower Compa	ct was signed by 41 men on		11, 1620. They agreed to
form a government a	nd follow the laws they created to	ogether. This was a ne	W
	of governing for the time. I	t laid the foundation f	for future democratic
principles in			
The Compact helped t	the Pilgrims survive their first		They faced many
challenges, including harsh weather and disease. But their		neir	to work
together kept them s	trong. The spirit of the Compact	influenced later docu	ments like the
The Mayflower Compa	 act is seen as an early step in the	•	
	It showed that people could	•	•
Pilgrims' commitmen	t to their	helped them build	a successful colony.
In the years that follo	owed, the Plymouth Colony grew.	More	arrived, and
the colony became mo	ore prosperous. The Mayflower Co	ompact remained an ir	mportant symbol of
their	and determination. It	is remembered as a ke	ey moment in American
history and the story	of the	•	
November way	sea Mayflower winter Ar	nerica Pilgrims	Compact agreement
unity community	freedom settlers Plym	outh democracy	Constitution rules