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# Pilgrims' Journey to America



In the early 1600s, a group of \_\_\_\_\_ decided to leave England in search of religious freedom. They were unhappy with the \_\_\_\_\_ of England and wanted to practice their faith freely. In 1620, they set sail on the \_\_\_\_\_ and arrived in what is now Massachusetts. This area was called the New \_\_\_\_\_ by the settlers.

The Pilgrims landed at a place they named Plymouth. Life in Plymouth was \_\_\_\_\_. The first winter was harsh, and many Pilgrims did not survive. They faced cold weather, illness, and a lack of \_\_\_\_\_. However, the Native Americans helped them learn how to grow crops and find resources.

One of the key figures was \_\_\_\_\_, a Native American who spoke English. He taught the Pilgrims how to plant corn and fish in the \_\_\_\_\_. This assistance was crucial for the Pilgrims' survival. The Pilgrims and the Native \_\_\_\_\_ celebrated their first successful harvest together, which is now remembered as \_\_\_\_\_.

The Plymouth Colony was governed by the Mayflower Compact, an agreement signed by the male \_\_\_\_\_ of the Mayflower. This compact was important because it was one of the first attempts at \_\_\_\_\_ in the New World. The Pilgrims valued their new freedom and worked hard to build a thriving \_\_\_\_\_.

Over time, Plymouth Colony grew as more settlers arrived from \_\_\_\_\_. The Pilgrims' experience in America was difficult, but their \_\_\_\_\_ and the help of the Native Americans allowed them to establish a lasting \_\_\_\_\_. Their story is an important part of the history of Colonial America and the foundation of the United \_\_\_\_\_.

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