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Roanoke Island Legend



The Roanoke Colony was one of the first attempts by the English to establish a _____ in America. This colony was located on Roanoke Island, in what is now North Carolina. Sir Walter _____ sponsored the expedition in the late 16th century. The first group of settlers arrived in 1585 but returned to England due to harsh _____. A second group arrived in 1587, led by John White. They aimed to create a permanent _____.

John White returned to England for supplies, leaving behind his family and other _____. Due to the war with Spain, he was unable to return for three years. When he finally came back in 1590, the _____ was deserted. The only clue was the word "CROATOAN" carved into a tree. This led to many _____ about what happened to the settlers. Some believe they integrated with local Native _____ tribes. Others think they moved to another location.

The mystery of Roanoke has fascinated _____ for centuries. Many expeditions have tried to uncover the truth behind the disappearance. Despite numerous _____, the fate of the Roanoke Colony remains unsolved. It represents one of the earliest _____ of Colonial America. Roanoke's story is a crucial part of early American history and continues to be a topic of _____ and speculation today.

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