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# The Beginnings of the Plymouth Colony



The Pilgrims were a group of English settlers who traveled to the New \_\_\_\_\_ . They left England to seek religious freedom. In 1620, they set sail on a \_\_\_\_\_ called the Mayflower. The journey across the Atlantic was long and dangerous. Many \_\_\_\_\_ fell ill during the voyage. After months at sea, they finally reached the coast of \_\_\_\_\_ . They landed at a place they named Plymouth.

The winter was harsh, and the \_\_\_\_\_ struggled to survive. They had little food and many Pilgrims died. In the spring, they met a Native American named \_\_\_\_\_ . Squanto taught them how to grow corn and find local resources. This help was crucial for their \_\_\_\_\_ .

By the fall of 1621, the Pilgrims had their first successful harvest. To celebrate, they held a \_\_\_\_\_ which is now remembered as the first Thanksgiving. They invited their Native American \_\_\_\_\_ , including the Wampanoag chief Massasoit. Plymouth Colony grew slowly but steadily. More settlers came from \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ over the next few years. The Pilgrims established a government and made laws to ensure order. They valued \_\_\_\_\_ and worked together to build their new home.

Over time, Plymouth became a symbol of \_\_\_\_\_ and cooperation. The story of the Pilgrims and Plymouth Colony is an important part of American \_\_\_\_\_ . It shows how people from different backgrounds can come together and help each other in times of \_\_\_\_\_ .

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