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# The First English Colony in America



The Roanoke Colony was the first English \_\_\_\_\_ in the New World. In 1585, a group of settlers, led by Sir Walter \_\_\_\_\_, established the colony on Roanoke Island, which is now part of North Carolina. The \_\_\_\_\_ was to create a permanent English presence in America.

However, life in the colony was \_\_\_\_\_ due to harsh conditions and lack of supplies. The settlers relied heavily on the Native \_\_\_\_\_ tribes for food and support.

John White was appointed as the governor of the colony in 1587. He left for \_\_\_\_\_ to get more supplies, but when he returned in 1590, he found the \_\_\_\_\_ deserted. The only clue left behind was the word "CROATOAN" carved into a \_\_\_\_\_. This mysterious disappearance led to many theories about what happened to the \_\_\_\_\_. Some believe they were killed by Native Americans, while others think they integrated into local \_\_\_\_\_ or tried to relocate and perished.

The failure of the Roanoke Colony did not deter the \_\_\_\_\_. It served as a lesson and a foundation for future settlements. In 1607, the English established the \_\_\_\_\_ Colony in Virginia, which became the first permanent English settlement in \_\_\_\_\_. The story of Roanoke continues to capture the imagination of \_\_\_\_\_ and enthusiasts alike, symbolizing both the dangers and hopes of early colonial \_\_\_\_\_.

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