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# The Mayflower Journey



In 1620, the Mayflower sailed from England to America. Onboard were the \_\_\_\_\_, a group seeking religious freedom. They wanted to escape the \_\_\_\_\_ of England and practice their faith freely. The journey across the \_\_\_\_\_ Ocean was long and difficult. Many passengers fell ill due to poor conditions. After two \_\_\_\_\_ at sea, they finally sighted land.

They originally intended to settle in the \_\_\_\_\_ River area, but storms forced them to anchor at Cape Cod. This area was outside the \_\_\_\_\_ of their original charter. The Pilgrims decided to establish a new \_\_\_\_\_, the Mayflower Compact. This document helped set up a basic form of self-government. It was signed by 41 male \_\_\_\_\_ before they went ashore.

The Pilgrims landed in what is now \_\_\_\_\_. They named their new settlement Plymouth Colony. The first winter was extremely harsh, and many \_\_\_\_\_ did not survive. They struggled with cold weather, disease, and lack of food. In the \_\_\_\_\_, the Pilgrims met Squanto, a Native American who spoke English. He taught them how to grow \_\_\_\_\_ and fish in the local waters.

With Squanto's help, the Pilgrims managed to grow enough food to survive the next \_\_\_\_\_. They celebrated their successful harvest with a feast. This event is now remembered as the first \_\_\_\_\_. The Mayflower played a crucial role in bringing the Pilgrims to America, leading to the \_\_\_\_\_ of Plymouth Colony and the spread of European settlements in the New \_\_\_\_\_.

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