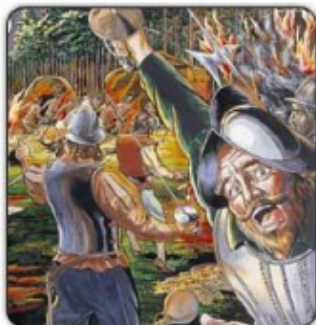


THE LOST COLONY OF ROANOKE

“WHAT REALLY HAPPENED?”



The first effort made by the English to establish a colony in America occurred in the late sixteenth century along the coast of North Carolina. The early Indians called it Roanoke Island, in tribute to the native peoples in the area. The English settlers called it Virginia. Starting in 1584 efforts were made to explore the eastern coast of North America, as far south as Spanish Florida. It was in 1587 that a permanent colony was finally created. However great this accomplishment was for the colonists and the English investors, it proved to be one of the greatest American mysteries when the colony was discovered abandoned in 1590.

IN YOUR INVESTIGATION OF THE COLONY OF ROANOKE ISLAND, EACH PERSON IS TO DESCRIBE IN ESSAY FORM THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

1. Why it was important for Elizabeth I to settle in North America
2. Describe the attempts of how the colony was settled
3. **ALL** people involved in the ideas and settlement
4. The clues left behind
5. An overall conclusion of what happened to the lost colonists

PLEASE REFER TO THE INSTRUCTIONS BELOW .

- ✗ Your essay must contain an introductory paragraph, 1 body paragraph, and a concluding paragraph
- ✗ Numbers 1-5 from above must be included in your final draft
- ✗ All essays must have a creative title

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Introduction

Please include in your introduction:

- Grabber – This is a mystery investigation so the grabber is extremely important.
- Thesis Statement – One line of what you intend to prove.
- A brief summary of what the essay is going to be about. SET THE TONE!

THREE Body Paragraphs must include:

- Why it was important for Elizabeth I to settle in North America
- Describe the attempts of how the colony was settled
- ALL people involved in the ideas and settlement

Concluding Statement

- An overall conclusion of what happened to the lost colonists which must be supported by the clues left behind
- A zinger to leave a lasting impression on your reader.

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