

## Honors United States History

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### Summer Reading Assignment

1. Please purchase *A Short History of the United States* by Robert Remini. It is available at Barnes and Noble in Mandeville for \$15.99 and on amazon.com for \$13.68. You will need the book in class throughout the school year, so if you purchase an e-book, please be sure that you have a device with you during class to access it. For your summer reading assignment, please read Chapter 1 “Discovery and Settlement of the New World” (pgs. 1 – 30) and answer the questions below. Place this sheet along with your answers and notes in a 3-ring binder and bring with you the first day of class. You will take a quiz that day and you may use your notes but not your book.
2. Watch Episode 1, “Rebels” from the History Channel documentary *America: The Story of Us*. This film is available on history.com as well as Netflix. Take notes on the questions addressed on the attached study guide and place this in your binder as well.

### **Chapter 1 – “Discovery and Settlement of the New World”**

Founding of St. Augustine (1565)

Founding of Roanoke (1585)

Founding of Jamestown (1607)

Founding of Virginia House of Burgesses (1619)

First Africans arrive in British Colonies (1619)

Mayflower Compact written (1620)

End of Anglo-Powhatan Wars (1644)

King Philip’s War (1678)

Height of First Great Awakening (1730s-1740s)

French and Indian War unofficially begins (1754)

Treaty of Paris ends F&I War (1763)

- Name at least three factors which enabled the Spanish to conquer both the Aztecs and the Incas.
- What were the similarities and differences between indentured servants and slaves?
- Discuss the connections between the following:
  - Virginia House of Burgesses
  - Mayflower Compact
  - Fundamental Orders of Connecticut
  - Maryland’s Act of Toleration
- Explain the differences between royal, proprietary, and corporate colonies.
- Discuss the social and economic impacts of mercantilism in the British North American colonies.
- Compare/contrast the Puritans and the Quakers.
- Explain how geography affected the settlement of the New England, the Middle Colonies, and the Southern Colonies.
- Identify and explain at least one significant cause AND at least one significant effect of the First Great Awakening.
- How had the status of European rivals in North America changed as a result of the Treaty of Paris (1763)

# *America- The Story of Us*

Episode 1: “Rebels”

Name \_\_\_\_\_

(You can find this episode on Netflix as well as the History Channel website [history.com](http://history.com))

## **Introduction**

In 1607 a small group of English travelers lands in Jamestown. Thirteen years later, religious Puritans settle in New England. These men and women are all driven by the promise of a new life; they face the perils of disease, starvation and war with native groups.

They are very different, yet in time both grow. One man’s entrepreneurial dream, tobacco, and the backbreaking work of the first African slaves, turn the disease-ridden swamps of the South into a land of opportunity. The hardworking and resourceful Puritans forge the North into a trading powerhouse with shipbuilding at its core. Yet success and wealth prompt British jealousy, taxation, resistance and then war.

## **Terms to know:**

Alluvial  
Aristocratic  
Coercion  
Contraband  
Fledgling  
Infringements  
Labyrinth  
Pre-emptive  
The Proclamation Line  
Wampanoag

## **Questions:**

1. What was the Powhatan Confederacy and how did this group interact with the British settlers?
2. What were the most difficult challenges faced by the Plymouth and Jamestown settlers? Do you think they could have done anything to prepare more adequately for life in the Americas?
3. What role did disease play in encounters between native groups and the first British settlers?
4. Who was Prince Estabrook and what was his contribution to American history?
5. In this episode, America is referred to as a “social experiment.” What do you think this phrase means? Do you think the “experiment” is still ongoing?