



# EXPLORE JAMESTOWN



**GUIDELINES:** Complete the starred (\*) activity plus five from Historic Jamestown or five from Jamestown Settlement, OR do three from each location. Daisy Girl Scouts may receive a patch for participating in any activities and are not expected to complete a set number.

- \* Research and describe the difference between Historic Jamestowne and Jamestown Settlement.

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1. In the museum, take a look at the archaeology exhibit. Are older artifacts found deep in the soil or close to the surface? Look at the painting of New Towne. How is this picture different from what you see today? What happened to Jamestowne Island after 1699 when the capital moved to Williamsburg?
2. Take a walk around New Towne. What happens to buildings when they are no longer in use? Why were the foundations buried under inches of dirt? When soil is farmed, eventually layers of dirt add up and the floor of a building is covered. Imagine what would happen if you stopped cleaning your room. Remember that this was once a bustling port town rather than the peaceful park it is today.
3. Visit the Pocahontas statue and read about her life and contributions. At first, the only women at Jamestowne were Powhatan Indians. How did Pocahontas help the settlers? Why do you think European women came a year after the men? If we started a new colony on Mars, what could women contribute? What skills would be needed on Mars today and in Jamestowne in 1607?
4. Stop by the Church Tower and read about the First Assembly and how they affected the future of US government. What type of government began here?
5. Observe current field excavations (seasonal). Ask a site interpreter to explain what the archaeologists are doing. Watch the archaeologists as they dig. What tools do you see them using?

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1. How did the Powhatans get their food?
2. Who was the captain of the Susan Constant as well as the admiral of the fleet? OR Why did the ships follow a southerly route from England to Virginia?
3. What did the Powhatans trade to the English, and what did the Powhatans receive in exchange?
4. What crop gave the English economic success and which group provided the labor? OR What problems did the English face in the early years at Jamestown?
5. What is the importance of Jamestown to Virginia and U.S. history?