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# Roanoke: The Lost Colony

Notes from books by Bob Italia & Fritz

## Early History (day 1 in Italia book)

Many different native Americans lived on or near Roanoke Island (including the Powhatan). They lived in villages with 100-200 people. All the tribes spoke the same language (Algonquian). They lived in long houses that were built around a gathering area.



## Sir Walter Raleigh (day 2)

He wants to sail to the New World and see if it was the right place to settle his country. He knows it is dangerous but also knows the new land has a lot of valuable resources (gold, pearls, spices, silver, etc.)



## Manteo (day 2)

Became friends with the colonists and helped them. He learned to speak English and went twice to England. He swore allegiance to the queen and became Lord of Roanoke. He was also baptized as a Christian.



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April 1585 Journey (day 3 in Frisk book)

7 ships sailed from England with 500 men, 2 mastiffs, 2 Indians, and supplies.

They met Native Americans and someone took a silver cup.

When they went to get it, they burned the Indians crops and houses. They didn't get their cup.

They built houses and a fort but most of their food was ruined from water.



Sir Walter Raleigh (day 2)

He was frustrated because the Queen did not want him to go to the new land. He knew there were resources that they needed to claim. He wanted to stake his claim before Spain could.

Wanchese (day 3)

Wanchese did not trust the English. He traveled to England to learn more about them. They treated him like he was a prisoner.





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## Queen Elizabeth (day 4 video & day 6 notes)



1. She wants to protect her country from Spain. She didn't want Raleigh taking ships she may need to fight back.

2. She wanted the riches and resources from the new land.

\* She didn't think the risk was worth it.

## Life in the Colony (pages 14-15 in Fritz book)

The people all had different skills. They were all brought to help build the colony. They came hoping for a better life and wanted to become rich. They had to learn to grow and gather food (even from the Native Americans). Sometimes they stole food from the Spanish ships or Native Americans.



## Sir Walter Raleigh (day 6)