

Your student was instructed to list, under each of these difficulties, one of the people at the right who helped the settlers, and what he or she did that helped. Check that he used each person at least once.

Captain John Smith
Pocahontas
Lord Delaware
Sir Thomas Dale

BASICS OF LIVING

Colonists needed all kinds of basic amenities: houses, food, and farmland.

Captain John Smith:

- An able leader, with many of the survival skills that the settlement desperately needed
- Put in charge of trading with the Indians for much-needed food and provisions
- Explored the region

Pocahontas:

- Consistently provided food for the hungry men during the first harsh winter when food and supplies were scarce

Lord Delaware:

- Kept the settlers from abandoning the colony altogether after the first winter.

Sir Thomas Dale:

- Brought women to the New World as wives for the settlers
- Established the ownership of private property to the colony, strengthening the colonists' motivation

EXTERNAL THREATS

Colonists faced sickness, bad water, malnutrition, harsh weather (winter and summer), and Indian attacks.

Captain John Smith:

- As captain, led the settlers against the Indians

Pocahontas:

- Intervened to save John Smith's life when he was captured and threatened by her father Powhatan
- Brought about peace between the Indians and colonists by her marriage to John Rolfe

Lord Delaware:

- Restored the colony to health with much-needed supplies after the first winter

Sir Thomas Dale:

- As a soldier and statesman, led the colony's troops

INTERNAL DISCORD

Colonists quarreled among themselves, lacked practical skills, looked for quick wealth, and refused to work (those who were from the nobility) or grew angry and resentful (those who bore the brunt of the work).

Captain John Smith:

- As president of the colony, helped to maintain order
- Enforced the rule "he who will not work shall not eat"
- NOTE: Smith did have plenty of character flaws himself, and unfortunately, introduced many dissensions and quarrels of his own.

Lord Delaware:

- Restored discipline to the colony
- First royal governor of Virginia

Sir Thomas Dale:

- Provided good leadership as the next governor after Delaware