Jamestown: The first permanent English colony

Where is Jamestown?

- Why call it Jamestown?
- In honor of King James I of London





Their Voyage

- Started in London
- Canary Islands
- West Indies: Puerto Rico
- Finally Jamestown, VA
- More people died on the way here than they did when they got there



Why would they leave England?

- In search for gold and silver
- In search for a water route to the Pacific
- Natural resources: fish, wood, game
- Tough at home: fleeing poverty, religious persecution, if you aren't an Aristocrat you can't rise
- Start a new life





Struggles when they got there

- Harsh conditions in winter
- Native American tribes
- Didn't know how to farm
- Disease from Native Americans





Period of Peace

• John Rolfe and Pocahontas marriage in 1614

• Tobacco plantation started

to thrive

