

All About **THE MAYFLOWER** CLOSE READING PASSAGES

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Historic Expedition

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Thanksgiving Connection

The Mayflower was a big ship that sailed across the ocean a long time ago. People called Pilgrims were on this ship. They traveled from England to a new land called America. The Pilgrims wanted to find a place where they could be free to practice their religion. After a long journey, they found a place where they could be free to practice their religion. Every year, people remember the Pilgrims by celebrating Thanksgiving.

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Pilgrim Ship

The Mayflower was a big ship that sailed across the ocean to find a new home where they could practice their religion freely. The ship was built in England and is still seen today. It was made of wood.

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Historic Expedition

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Colonial Settlement

Long ago, a big ship called the Mayflower sailed across the ocean to a new land. Many people were on the ship, including men, women, and children. They were looking for a place where they could practice their religion.

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Mayflower Compact

The Mayflower Compact was a document created by the passengers of the Mayflower ship in 1620. They wrote it before they landed in Plymouth, Massachusetts. The Mayflower Compact was an agreement to make fair laws for the new colony and to obey those laws. It was an important step toward self-government in America.

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Journey to America

The Mayflower was a big ship that sailed from England to America a long time ago. Many people wanted to start a new life in America, so they got on the ship. The journey was very long, and the ship rocked back and forth on the big waves of the ocean. The people on the ship had to be very brave. They finally reached America after many days at sea. When they arrived, they were happy to start their new adventure in a new land.

1. What was the name of the ship that sailed from England to America?

2. What was the purpose of the Mayflower Compact?

3. What did the passengers of the Mayflower intend to do when they wrote the Mayflower Compact?

4. How did the Pilgrims feel about their journey on the Mayflower?

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