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The Lost Colony of Roanoke

Read each question and circle the correct answer.

1. 20 years before settlers arrived at _____, 115 settlers attempted to establish a colony at Roanoke.

- A. Plymouth
- B. Washington, D.C.
- C. New Amsterdam
- D. Jamestown

2. Why did John White return to England?

- A. The colonists were running out of supplies.
- B. He felt he had a duty to fight in the war against Spain.
- C. The other colonists had removed him from office.
- D. He was afraid that the colony was in danger.

3. What word was written on a wooden post when White returned?

- A. LEFT
- B. BEGONE
- C. CROATOAN
- D. ROANOKE

4. Which of the following is NOT a common theory about what happened to the Roanoke settlers?

- A. They were killed by Spanish colonists from Florida.
- B. They were kidnapped by Dutch fur traders.
- C. They went to live with the Croatoans on a nearby island.
- D. They attempted to sail back to England and died at sea.

5. True or False: Archaeologists have never found any trace of the Roanoke colonists.

- A. True
- B. False