

What happened to the Roanoke colony?

Directions: Create a storyboard that shows what happened to Roanoke Island in the boxes below or on a separate sheet of paper. Draw a picture that describes each event below. In the final box, draw your theory about what happened to Roanoke and colonists using the theories worksheet on the back.

If you choose to create your storyboard on other paper, include the sentences below with your pictures

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Includes 9 pictures • All are colored • All pictures are detailed • Includes a detailed theory 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Includes 6-8 pictures • Most are colored • Most pictures are detailed • Includes a theory 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Includes 5 or fewer pictures • Some are colored • The pictures lack details • No explanation of a theory

<i>In 1587, Captain John White brought a group of 100 colonists to Roanoke</i>	<i>The group had a hard time producing and finding enough food</i>	<i>Captain John White returned to Great Britain to get more</i>
<i>When Captain John White returned to Great Britain, a war had broken out between Great Britain and Spain</i>	<i>Captain John White did not return to Roanoke for 3 years.</i>	<i>When Captain John White returned to Roanoke in 1590, he found that all of the colonists were gone!</i>
<i>Captain John White and his crew searched the island for any sign of the missing colonists</i>	<i>The only clue that Captain John White found was a tree with the word "Croatoan" scratched on it</i>	YOUR THEORY ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED TO THE COLONISTS:

Lesson 4.1: What happened to the British Colony of Roanoke?

Which theory do you believe is the truth?

Directions: Read the theories below. Choose one or create your own theory about what happened to the lost colony of Roanoke. Explain why you chose, or created, the theory that you did in the box below.



Criteria for Success:

Your explanation must be at least 4 sentences and include reasons of support

Theory A: The colony of Roanoke was killed in an attack by the Spanish. The Spanish were at war with England at the time, and they had soldiers and ships nearby in Florida.

Theory B: The colonists at Roanoke ran out of supplies, so they built small boats to sail back to England. The boats sank, probably in a storm, and no one survived.

Theory C: The Roanoke Colony left the island and moved north to the Chesapeake Bay. They made peace with the Native Americans and settled near Skicoac, the largest Native American village in the whole region. Around 1607 both these Native Americans and the colonists were massacred by the Powhatan Native Americans.

Theory D: The Roanoke Colony moved to Croatoan Island, where they lived with the Croatoan Native Americans. Later, they intermarried with the Native Americans, became part of the tribe, and moved inland when the Native Americans did.

Theory E: The colonists on Roanoke Island were attacked by hostile Native Americans. They were killed or taken away as servants, never to be heard from again.

Your theory about what happened to the "lost colony of Roanoke":

A large rectangular area enclosed by a dotted line, intended for the student to write their own theory about the Roanoke colony.

