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Study Guide for The Dutch Found New Netherlands/

The Quakers Settle Pennsylvania

Focus Questions:

- 1) Why did the Dutch attract so many people to their colony?
- 2) Who was William Penn and what was his impact on the Pennsylvania Colony?
- 3) Who were the Quakers, what were their values, and why were they so important?

The Dutch Found New Netherlands:

- Dutch accepted fur trade with Iroquois/built trading posts on Hudson River.
- Built huge numbers of estates on both sides of river.
- Dutch government formed Dutch to colonize with New Netherlands & grow their fur trading.
- In 1655, expanded claims by taking over New Sweden.
- Dutch engaged in fighting with Native Americans over land claims and trade rivalries.
- To english people the New Netherlands had become a “Dutch wedge” separating its North/South colonies.
- Answer to Q: Dutch established New Netherland it included trading posts, towns, and forts all over the Hudson River that laid the work for towns.

English Takeover:

- New Netherlands became “Dutch wedge” to the English, separated its North and South colonies.
- In 1664, King Charles II gave brother James, the duke of York permission to drive out the Dutch.
- Dutch government raised call to arms then Stuyvesant surrounded the English without firing a shot.
- New owner of the duke of York renamed it New York.

William Penn:

- Young Penn studied law and later settled into the life of an English gentlemen.
- In 1667, he committed himself to the Quakers as a protestant.
- Penn was jailed several times for expressing his views.
- King Charles II owed Penn’s father money, which Penn asked to be repaid with American land.
- In 1681 he gave Penn a charter for Pennsylvania.
- Answer to Q: English Quaker leader who supported religious freedom, oversaw the founding of Pennsylvania as a protection for Quakers and other religions of Europe.

The Quakers:

- Quakers are people that believed God’s “inner light” burned inside everyone.
- Held services without formal ministers, allowing anyone to speak as spirit moved inside them.
- Dressed plainly, refused to defer to persons of rank, embraced pacifism by opposing war

and refusing to serve in military.

- They were also scorned and harassed by the Anglicans and Puritans.
- Answer to Q: The Religious Society of Friends, found in England in the 17th century. He and other Quakers were persecuted for their beliefs, which was the idea that the presence of God exists in every person.

The Quakers Settle in Pennsylvania:

- Charles II owned debts both financial & political, as payment for this Charles gave younger Penn large property that the king wanted to be called “Pennsylvania” or “Penn’s Woods”.
- Penn wanted to establish a good/fair society for the Quakers.
- Saw his colony as a “holy experiment”.
- After opening the colony to the Quakers, he recruited immigrants from around western Europe.
- Penn spent four years in Pennsylvania and he died in poverty in 1718.
- His Quakers were a minority in a colony populated by lots of people.
- Slavery was later made, many Quakers owned slaves.

<u>Vocab Word:</u>	<u>Definition:</u>
1) New Netherland	The Dutch government granted the newly formed Dutch West India Company permission to colonize New Netherland and expand their fur trading.
2) Proprietor	An owner
3) Quakers	People who believed that God’s “inner light” burned everyone inside a religious group.

4) Establishment	The action of establishing something or being established.
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