Colonial Identity Worksheet

• Define "colony."

• What does it mean to be a "colony"?

• What do you think are some of the reasons that people left England for the colonies?

• How do you think the colonists felt about living so far from England?

• What were the advantages?

• What were the disadvantages?

• If you were a colonist, what kinds of things would you have brought from your home country?

• Can you think of people today who move to a new place but continue to practice the traditions of the country or region where they came from? (e.g., moving from the southern to the northern United States, emigrating from Mexico to the United States).

• Why might people do this?