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“The Chesapeake Indians” and “Speech to Captain John Smith”

1. Why did so many Jamestown colonies die in the first year? How did John Smith help when he arrived in the second wave of colonists?

2. How does John Smith view the natives’ use of their land based on the following quote from the text:

*“They make so small a benefit of their land, be it never so fertill.”*

3. What does Smith say about the amount of male Indians?

4. Smith describes the natives as “savage”. What evidence did he used to support his opinion?

5. What descriptions does Smith use to make the natives sound childish?

6. What do men do with their time? Women and children?

7. In this reading Smith obviously goes to great detail in describing the natives. Why?

8. What is the significance of the following in Powhatan’s speech?

*“What will it availe you to take that by force you may quickly have by love, or to destroy them that provide you food.”*

9. Why does Powhatan want to trade peacefully with the colonists? Use information from his speech to support your answer.