CHRONOLOGY OF IMPORTANT EVENTS IN AMERICA BEFORE 1750

You need to know the following facts so that you can better interpret the meaning of the events before 1750. The first multiple-choice test will include questions about this information.

DATE	EVENT
34-18,000 BCE	Migration of peoples over Bering Strait land bridge (BCE = before year 0)
8-5,000 BCE	Agricultural Revolution in America
0-800 CE	Moundbuilder Society in Ohio Region (CE = after year 0)
700-1200	Mississippian Culture thrives in America
1450-1800	Iroquois Confederation in New York Region
1492	Columbus Sails the Ocean Blue
1519-1521	Cortés defeats Aztecs in Mexico
1607	Jamestown, Virginia: first permanent English colony
1619	First Africans sold as servants in Virginia
1620	Pilgrims arrive in Plymouth, Mass in the Mayflower
1622	War between English and Powhatan Indians in Virginia
1630	Puritans settle Massachusetts Bay Colony (Boston)
1637	Pequot-Puritan War in New England
1660	Navigation Acts passed by English Parliament to control colonial trade
1661-1664	Slave codes in Maryland and Virginia define black people as slaves
1675	Metacom's War ("King Philip"): Indians vs. Puritans in New England
1682	William Penn and the English Quakers settle in Pennsylvania
1700	Population of colonies: about 250,000 (11% slaves)
1734-45	Great Awakening: a religious revival sweeps the colonies
1739	Stono Rebellion: significant slave uprising in S. Carolina
1741	Race riot in New York: 31 slaves executed
1750	Colonial population 1,250,000 (20% slaves)

Regions of Thirteen Original Colonies

NEW ENGLAND: Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island,

New Hampshire

MIDDLE COLONIES: New York, Pennsylvania,

New Jersey, Delaware

UPPER SOUTH: Virginia, Maryland

LOWER SOUTH: N. Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia

Time Periods:

Pre-Columbian	Before 1492
17th century	1600-1699
18th century	1700-1799
19th century	1800-1899
Colonial Period	1607-1776

