



Key Events:

- 1562 – beginning of the “Triangle Trade”**
- 1563 – Statute of Artificers.**
- 1564 – development of the more accurate Mercator Map**
- 1572 – Vagabonds Act**
- 1576 – Poor Relief Act**
- 1578 – Sir Humfrey Gilbert sets out to North America on voyage of exploration but fails and is bankrupted.**
- 1580 – Drake completed his circumnavigation of the globe, and returned with spices, treasure and tales of Nova Albion**
- 1583 – Gilbert leads another voyage of exploration to America. It fails. Gilbert dies on the return journey.**
- 1584 – Raleigh begins planning new colonisation attempt by sending a fact-finding mission to Virginia.**
- 1585 – Colonists set sail for North America and begin colonisation of Virginia.**
- 1586 – Surviving colonists abandon Virginia and return to England.**
- 1587 – New group of colonists arrive in Virginia and establish colony at Roanoke.**

Key people:

John Hawkins: English navigator and slaver; established the Triangle Trade

Francis Drake: first Englishman to circumnavigate the globe; adventurer.

Walter Raleigh: courtier who unsuccessfully attempted to organise the colonisation of Virginia.

Key Words:

Triangle Trade	A massive trans-Atlantic trade, exporting English iron good and guns, trading in African slaves, and importing exotic sugar, spices and tobacco.
Quadrant	Similar to an astrolabe, it was used by sailors to help with navigation at sea. It was in the shape of a quarter circle.
Astrolabe	An instrument used by sailors to help with navigation at sea. It was the shape of a circle.
Colonies	Lands under the control or influence of another country, occupied by settlers from that country.
Mercator Map	A world map printed by mapmaker Gerardus Mercator. More accurate and realistic. Printing meant that accurate copies of it were widespread
Galleon	Large, more stable, more manoeuvrable ships, able to carry large amount of supplies and cargoes. Large enough also for gun decks, so defendable too!
Algonquinian	The Indian tribe that lives in the area of America that the English wanted to colonise.
Virginia	Area on north-east America that the English hoped to colonise, named after Queen Elizabeth I (the Virgin Queen).
Roanoke	Roanoke Island, where the first English colonists settled in their attempts to colonise Virginia.
Circumnavigation	Journeying the full distance around the globe.
Poor relief	Financial help for the very poor raised from taxes.
Parish	Area served by one parish priest
Vagabond	Someone with no job or home who wandered the countryside.
Quadrant	Used by sailors to help navigate at sea.
Astrolabe	Circular instrument to help navigate the sea.

Concept: Cause and Consequence