

colonists, and they soon parted company. After this encounter, however, the English noticed that one of their silver cups had gone missing, and they attributed its disappearance to the Aquascogoc. Grenville, the English captain, was furious. He believed that the Aquascogoc had stolen the silver cup. Whether or not this was true, angry exchanges followed and soon the English burned the Aquascogoc village. The English held their fort against the subsequent attacks of the natives. Despite their success in battle, the colonists had a miserable time because they were mainly soldiers and adventurers, not farmers. They were hungry. They missed the comforts of England, such as soft feather beds and dainty foods. Also they had expected to find gold and silver on the island, and were disappointed when they found none. Grenville soon tired of these conditions and set out on his ship to plunder Spanish treasure fleets and return to England.

- (a) Who were the first Europeans to land upon the American soil and when did they land there?
- (b) Why is the first English presence in North America important?
- (c) When did Sir Walter Raleigh send an expedition to North America and under whose authority did he send it?
- (d) Why did Sir Walter Raleigh want to establish a colony in North America?
- (e) When did Grenville reach Roanoke?
- (f) Which tribe lived in Roanoke?
- (g) What led to the fight between the colonists and the native tribes in Roanoke?
- (h) Why did the colonists leave Roanoke?

2. Read the following poem carefully and answer the following questions:

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Winter is the king of showmen,
Turning tree stumps into snow men
And houses into birthday cakes
And spreading sugar over lakes.
Smooth and clean and frosty white,
The world looks good enough to bite.
That's the season to be young,
Catching snowflakes on your tongue!
Snow is snowy when it's snowing.
I'm sorry it's slushy when it's going.

- (a) Who is the king of showmen and what does he do to the tree stumps?
- (b) How does the poet describe the lake of winter morning?
- (c) Why do you think the poet feels that the winter is the season to be young?