



Colonial Life and Times

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This pathfinder will be useful in finding information about life in Colonial times for upper elementary children.

For an introduction to the topic, see:

- *World Book Encyclopedia*, “Colonial Life in America “
- *World Book Encyclopedia*, “[*Specific Occupation*] of the Colonial Times”

Key Resources at a Glance:

- [*Specific Occupation*], *Life in the Thirteen Colonies*, Children’s Press. This series provides readers with a detailed exploration of the colonization of America.
- [*Specific Occupation*], *Colonial People*, Crabtree Publishing. This series introduces the tools, activities, and importance of specific occupations in Colonial America.
- [*Specific Occupation*], *Primary Sources of Everyday Life in Colonial America*, PowerKids Press. This series uses primary sources as a basis for information about America’s early politics, economics, and culture.

Reference Background

- *Making Thirteen Colonies*, by Joy Hakim. (1993)
- *Colonial Times, from A-Z*, by Bobbie Kalman. (1998)

Resources

Books

- *Life in the American Colonies*, by Ruth Dean. (1999)
- *What People Wore in Colonial America*, by Allison Stark Draper. (2000)
- *Colonial Cooking* by Susan Dosier. (2000)
- *Colonial Days: Discover the Past With Fun Projects, Games, Activities, and Recipes*, by David C. King. (1998)
- *Colonial Times, 1600-1700*, by Joy Masoff. (2000)
- *The Houses*, by Raymond Bial. (2001)

Search Aids

Search Terms

(Use for computer searches)

- Colonial Life
- Occupations Colonial Times

Subject Headings

(Use in card catalogs and print indexes)

- United States – History - Colonial Period, ca 1600 – 1775
- United States – Social life and customs – To 1775
- Colonial Times

Call Number

- 973.2 (Dewey Decimal)
- E162K (Library of Congress)

Indexes and Abstracts

- EBSCOhost
- First Search
- Kids Search

Library catalogs

- Your local library catalog
- SILO - State-wide catalog
- World Cat - World-wide Catalog

Web Pages and Web Portals

- Colonial Occupations
legendsprings.dvusd.org/colonial_occupations.htm
- Colonial Occupations
homepages.rootsweb.com/~sam/occupation.html

Multimedia Resources

- *Colonial America* (Landmark Media 2001) [video]
- *Colonial Homes* (PBS Home Video 2004) [video]

** You can evaluate other resources using criteria at: www.THEpathfinderproject.org/evaluate.html **

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