Epic History/Humanities: Week 5

Welcome to week 5 of History and Humanities. This week we're going to talk about the first colony in America, Roanoke and how it disappeared. Then we'll talk about the first permanent settlement, Jamestown. It was settled by men who only wanted to look for gold but finally began to flourish once free enterprise was introduced and the people were incentivized to grow and gather food.

Lesson:

Show the lesson video: Jamestown video

Activities:

Today you're going to search for gold! We're going to play a game and see who can find the hidden items with the help of the other family members. Video: Hot & Cold Scavenger Hunt

Materials in your kit:

- Piece of Gold

Other:

- Materials for Scavenger Hunt

Discuss:

Why is the search for gold such a great need in people that they would give up farming and searching for food to look for it? Is gold worth risking your life for? Why or why not? If you lived in Jamestown, what would you do differently than the early settlers did?