Mayflower Compact Worksheet

November 11, 1620

IN THE NAME OF GOD, **AMEN**. We, whose names are **underwritten**, the Loyal Subjects of our dread Sovereign Lord King James, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, France, and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith, &c. Having undertaken for the Glory of God, and Advancement of the Christian Faith, and the Honour of our King and Country, a Voyage to plant the first Colony in the northern Parts of Virginia Do by these Presents, solemnly and **mutually**, in the Presence of God and one another, **covenant** and combine ourselves together into a civil Body of Politick, for our better Ordering and Preservation, and Furtherance of the Ends aforesaid: And by Virtue hereof do enact. constitute, and frame, such just and equal Laws, Ordinances, Acts, Constitutions, and Officers, from time to time, as shall be thought most meet and convenient for the general Good of the Colony; unto which we promise all due **Submission** and Obedience.

IN WITNESS whereof we have hereunto subscribed our names at Capecod the eleventh of November, in the Reign of our Sovereign Lord King James of England, France, and Ireland, the eighteenth, and of Scotland, the fifty-fourth. Anno Domini. 1620.

Mayflower Compact Questions

Answer the following questions in COMPLETE SENTENCES:

- 1. Why do you think the Mayflower Compact begins with the words "IN THE NAME OF GOD, AMEN."?
- 2. Why is King James referred to as "dread Sovereign"?
- 3. Why would the Mayflower voyagers consider this colony as an "Advancement of the Christian Faith"?
- 4. When and where was this document signed?
- 5. What was the purpose of the voyage?

- 6. Where were they headed?
- 7. Explain and discuss: "covenant and combine ourselves together into a civil Body of Politick." What does this mean?

- 8. What is a Compact?
- 9. What was the purpose of the Mayflower Compact?