

US HISTORY



LESSON 15

Name: _____

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Multiple Choice Questions:

- **Who was the most well-known pioneer of Connecticut?**
 - Roger Williams
 - John Winthrop
 - Thomas Hooker
 - William Bradford

- **What significant document is considered the first written constitution in America?**
 - Mayflower Compact
 - Fundamental Orders of Connecticut
 - Magna Carta
 - Declaration of Independence

- **Why did Thomas Hooker and his congregation leave Massachusetts Bay Colony?***
 - To escape political and religious persecution
 - To seek better farming opportunities
 - To form a new denomination
 - To return to England

- **Which king issued the charter that incorporated New Haven into Connecticut?***
 - King James I
 - King Charles II
 - King George III
 - King Henry VIII

- **Who was the founder of Rhode Island?***
 - John Smith
 - Roger Williams
 - William Penn
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6. **Which religious principle did Roger Williams advocate for?*

- a) Church control over civil law
- b) Religious liberty and separation of church and state
- c) Theocracy based on Puritan values
- d) Monarchical control over the church

7. **What did Roger Williams believe about the relationship between church and civil government?*

- a) They should be closely intertwined
- b) Civil government should enforce religious law
- c) They should remain separate, with civil government focusing on order among people
- d) Religious leaders should be the highest government officials

8. **Which religious group set up the first Baptist congregation in America?*

- a) The Puritans
- b) The Anglicans
- c) The Quakers
- d) The Baptists

9. **Roger Williams' colony of Rhode Island was known for which of the following?*

- a) Strict Puritan laws
- b) Complete religious liberty and tolerance
- c) Theocratic government
- d) Ban on non-Christians

10. **In 1663, Rhode Island received a new charter from King Charles II that included what important provision?*

- a) Tax exemptions for clergy
- b) Mandatory membership in the Church of England
- c) Freedom for churches from government control
- d) Banning of all non-Christian religions



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Essay Questions:

1. **Discuss the significance of the Fundamental Orders of Connecticut in the development of representative government in America. How did it influence later political developments in the colonies?**
2. **Explain Roger Williams' views on the separation of church and state. How did these views shape the founding principles of Rhode Island and influence American political thought?**
3. **Compare and contrast the religious views of the Puritans in Massachusetts Bay Colony with those of Roger Williams. How did these differences contribute to Williams' banishment and the founding of Rhode Island?**
4. **Describe the relationship Roger Williams had with Native American tribes in New England. How did his interactions with them differ from those of other colonial leaders, and what impact did this have on the early history of Rhode Island?**
5. **Analyze the role of religious freedom in the establishment of Rhode Island. How did the colony's policies on religious tolerance differ from those of neighboring colonies, and what long-term effects did this have on religious liberty in America?**





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