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Pocahontas

Pocahontas was an American Indian. She was in the Powhatan tribe. She helped the Powhatan tribe and English settlers to work together.

California State Standards: **K.1.2** Learn examples of honesty, courage, determination, individual responsibility, and patriotism in American and world history from stories and folklore. **K.1.3** Know beliefs and related behaviors of characters in stories from times past and understand the consequences of the characters' actions. **K.3** Students match simple descriptions of work that people do and the names of related jobs at the school, in the local community, and from historical accounts. **K.4.2** Distinguish between land and water on maps and globes and locate general areas referenced in historical legends and stories. **K.6.2** Know the triumphs in American legends and historical accounts through the stories of such people as Pocahontas, George Washington, Booker T. Washington, Daniel Boone, and Benjamin Franklin.

Pocahontas

Pocahontas was born around 1595. Pocahontas' father was the chief of the Powhatan Indians. They lived in a village called Werowocomoco.

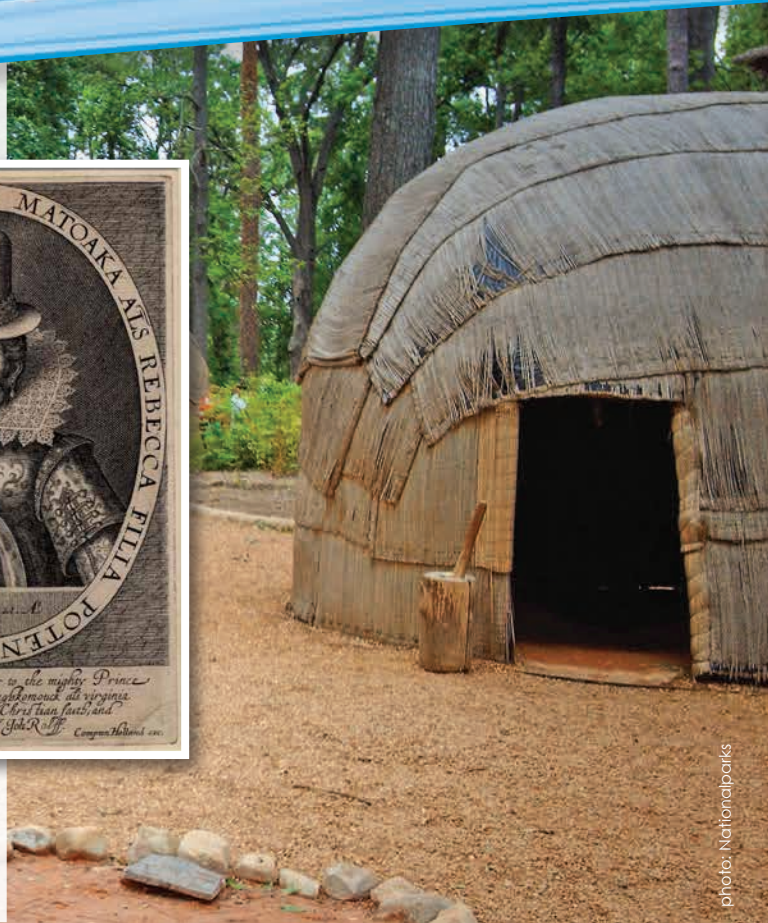


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Pocahontas did make friends with the English. Since she was the daughter of the chief, they knew she was a special person. She was also important because she helped the American Indians and English settlers get to know each other better.

One English friend of Pocahontas was named John Smith. John was taken by the Powhatan. Smith said that when the Powhatan were about to hurt him, Pocahontas stopped them. After that, the English knew Pocahontas wanted peace. She could be trusted.



When Pocahontas was a young girl, English settlers came to start a town called Jamestown. Pocahontas wanted to make friends with the settlers and learn about them.



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Pocahontas married John Rolfe. They had a son named Thomas. John took his family to England to see his home country. People there thought Pocahontas was very different. Pocahontas died in England in 1617. She was only about 22 years old.

Where did Pocahontas go?

Look at the map. Color the Atlantic Ocean blue. Draw a fat line from Virginia to England. Color Virginia and England.



Listen and follow along while your teacher reads each sentence. Circle **yes** if the sentence is correct. Circle **no** if the sentence is not correct.

1. It is okay to make friends with people who are different from you.

yes **no**

2. It is okay to make a family with people who have a different culture from you.

yes **no**

Write the correct answer on each line below. Use the Word Bank to help you. **together Indian playful Englishman**

1. Pocahontas was an American _____ .

2. She was unusual because she married an _____ .

3. Pocahontas helped the American Indians and the English work _____ .

4. Pocahontas was a _____ child.

