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# A Place Called Mississippi

## Chapter 3: The European Period, 1540-1798 Internet Activity



The Europeans expanding their empires depended on sea travel. Rulers governed their new colonies from nearly 4,000 miles across the Atlantic Ocean. In addition, early Americans earned money by selling goods that were transported by sea, and they bought goods that were not made or grown in their area.

In this lesson, you will learn about the ships that sailed the seas when European colonies were small and struggling.

**Instructions:** Visit and explore each link below. Then, use the information to complete the following items.

[How to Recognize a 17<sup>th</sup> Century Ship](#)

[The Mayflower](#)

[The Mary Rose](#)

1. List at least three ways ships changed during the 16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> centuries.

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2. The Mayflower had 102 passengers plus the crew on its famous journey with the Pilgrims. What problems do you think might have occurred due to the large number of people in a small space for a 66-day journey?

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3. Click on the link to tour the Mary Rose. Click "3-D Model", and then click "Next". Spend a few minutes going around the ship. Look at each deck. How many decks are below the main deck? \_\_\_\_\_

4. Name three types of things that were found below the main deck.

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Click "Menu" and go to "Explore the Ship and Meet the Crew." Click each of the people and listen to their story. Click "hotspots" for more information.

5. Check out the barber-surgeon. What were "humours"?

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- 6. What were the ways in which the barber-surgeon tried to “balance the humours”?  
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- 7. What was the job of the pilot? \_\_\_\_\_
- 8. What did the pilot do with the sandglass?  
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- 9. What device was used to measure the speed of the ship? \_\_\_\_\_
- 10. Click on the Cook and look for “Food” and “Drink.” What was the most common drink of the day? \_\_\_\_\_
- 11. What was the ration of beef for sailors? \_\_\_\_\_
- 12. What was the ration for fruits and vegetables? \_\_\_\_\_

**Finished Early?** Use the links below to continue learning about ships of the 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> centuries. Write some notes about what you’ve learned and be ready to share them.

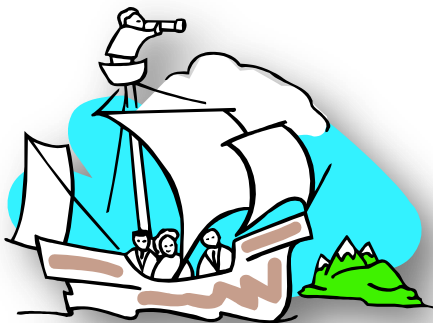
[17<sup>th</sup> Century Navigation](#)

[Pictures of 17<sup>th</sup> Century Ships](#)

[A Sailor’s Life](#)

[The Mayflower II](#)

[Pictures of Ships from Different Periods](#)



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