

GUIDED READING**CHAPTER 8: EXPLORING AND SETTLING WESTERN VIRGINIA****Section 2: Early Settlers in Western Virginia**

Directions: Use the information from pages 318-326 to complete the following statements.

Introduction

1. In Europe, opportunity was reserved for those of _____ (noble) birth.
2. The frontier of America—the area just at the edge of or beyond a _____ area—was considered the great _____. Democracy took root on the _____.

Reasons for Settlement

3. One of the first known people to take an active interest in settling the new land was _____, a native of _____.
4. After 1730, settlement increased due to several factors. First, the reports of the early explorers told of unspoiled _____ and untold _____. Second, because they were afraid the _____ would gain control of the land east of the Ohio River, the _____ encouraged settlers to move there. Third, as land became scarce in the _____ colonies, many people moved toward the unsettled area. Finally, there was Virginia's revision of its _____.
5. In 1730, the colony of Virginia established a policy giving land _____ 1,000 acres for each family settling in _____ Virginia. These settlers could not come from established _____ settlements.
6. An unplanned result of Virginia's land policies was that a variety of _____ groups found their way into the frontier.

Settlers Come to Western Virginia

Name: _____

Date: _____

7. _____ is usually credited with being the first permanent European settler in western Virginia. When the family arrived near where _____ is located today, he built a crude _____ cabin.
8. Prominent among the European settlers of western Virginia were the _____, who had come from the Rhine River valley.
9. The Germans looked for a place to settle where they would have _____ freedom.
10. In 1730, Virginia granted ten thousand acres of land in the _____ Valley to Isaac _____.
11. The Scots-Irish were _____ who had been settled in northern Ireland by King _____ of England.
12. The Scots-Irish were _____ against (denied their rights because of prejudice) in _____.
13. In the 1700s, they settled in Pennsylvania and then moved south as land became available in _____. In 1748, the Scots-Irish founded the first settlement west of the _____ Divide. It was called _____ Meadow.
14. Many early settlers, in order to escape from the European continent, became _____ servants. Under this system, people agreed to work for a period of years as servants in America in exchange for _____ to the New World.
15. Many _____, who were sold as indentured servants, were never _____. This helped establish a system of _____ in the United States.

Special Feature: Folk Medicine

16. Many people who claimed to be _____ actually had no formal _____ training.
17. Medical knowledge was often spiced with belief in the _____ and bits of _____.

Name: _____

Date: _____

18. It was common to call upon the _____ child of a _____ child for help. These people were supposed to have special _____ powers.

West Virginia Portraits: Andrew Lewis

19. Andrew Lewis was born in the year _____ in Donegal County, _____.

20. Around 1729, his parents, who were _____, moved the family to Pennsylvania. Later they moved to _____ County, Virginia.

21. Because of his skill and hard work, Andrew Lewis moved quickly through the ranks in the _____. He is probably best remembered for the role he played in the Battle of _____.

22. Lewis continued to serve in the military during the American _____.