

# Trekking Through Virginia with *The Virginia Trekkers*



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Directions- You will be going to the website, [www.virginiatrekkers.com](http://www.virginiatrekkers.com) . From there, you will be navigating around, listening to podcasts, doing various review activities, and answering questions on this handout. Please be sure to read *each of the directions* carefully. I hope you enjoy trekking!!

## Part I:

First, you will be visiting the Appalachian Plateau. Click on that region and *go there!* Read the paragraph pertaining to the Trekkers' travels to this region, and answer the questions below:

1. How long did it take the *Trekkers* to get to this region? **8 hours**
2. They also visited a park called, *Breaks Interstate Park*. What is it also know as? **Grand Canyon of the East Coast**

Next, you will click on the podcast at the top of the page, titled *Appalachian Plateau*. Now, view the podcast titled, *Appalachia Plateau*, and answer the next set of questions:

3. What is a plateau? **an area of high flat land**
4. What did the *Trekkers* find at the Virginia/Kentucky border? **Civil War Memorial**
5. What is a major industry in this region? **Coal**
6. What language group was from the Appalachian Plateau? **Iroquoian**
7. The fossil fuel, Coke, is used to make what type of materials? **Iron & Steel**

Now, go back to the top of your page, and click *Products*, to do a quick interactive review. After you are done, click on the *Back to Start* link.

## Part II:

Now, go to the Valley and Ridge region. Now click on the podcast titled, *Natural Bridge*. Read the text *below* the video to answer the questions below:

8. What language group was the Monacan Indians part of? **Siouan**
9. What two Indian groups were often at war here? **Monacan and Algonquian**

Next, click on the podcast to answer these questions:

10. What city is the *Natural Bridge* located near? **Roanoke**
11. What famous Virginia *supposedly* carved his name in the rock at the Natural Bridge?  
**George Washington**
12. How was the natural bridge formed? **Erosion**

After you are done, click on the *Back to Start* link.

## Part III:

Let's go to the Blue Ridge Mountains now. Click on the podcast titled, *Roanoke*, and answer the questions below:

13. How has interstate 81 changed over time? **Game trail, to the Great Wagon Road, to the highway**
14. What settlers arrived in this area? **Scotch-Irish and German settlers**

Now click on the podcast to answer the rest of the questions:

15. *Roanoke* means shells in what language? **Algonquian**
16. What did they use the shells for? **Money**
17. What did Roanoake use to be called and why? **Big Lick because of the salt deposits and mining**

Now, click on the activity at the top of the page titled, *People/Groups*, and complete the following:

18. What region did each group settle in:

English: **Coastal Plains**                      American Indians: **Piedmont/Coastal Plains**  
Scotch/Irish/German: **Valley and Ridge**    African Americans: **Piedmont/Coastal Plains**

After you are done, click on the *Back to Start* link.

#### **Part IV:**

Go visit the *Fall Line*. Click on the podcast titled, *Fall Line*, and answer the following questions:

19. Where is the *Fall Line* located? **Downtown Richmond**

20. What river are the Trekkers kayaking in? **James River**

Click on the activity at the top of the page, and complete. After you are done, go back to the *Fall Line*. Click on the podcast titled, *The Capitol*, and answer the questions below:

21. Where does the State's Legislators meet? **Richmond**

21. What was the first capitol of Virginia? **Jametown**

22. Why did they move the capitol from Williamsburg to Richmond? **It burned down**

23. Where is the General Assembly's *home*? **The capitol in Richmond**

24. What two parts is the General Assembly made of? **The Senate and House of Delegates**

Now click on *activities* at the top of your page, and do the sort. After you are done, click on *Back to the Fall Line*. Click on the link for the podcast, *Hollywood Cemetery*, to answer the following questions:

25. Who is the 5<sup>th</sup> president, buried in Hollywood Cemetery? **James Monroe**

26. What is the *Confederate Pyramid* in Hollywood Cemetery made of? **Rocks (granite) from the James River**

27. What is so special about one of the *corner* stones of the pyramid? **It is a time capsule**

28. What President of the Confederacy was buried in Hollywood Cemetery? **Jefferson Davis**

29. What does Jefferson Davis's statue *overlook*? **The city of Richmond**

After you are done, click on the *Back to Start* link.

**Part V:**

Click on the *Coastal Plains* region. Watch the podcast titled, *Jamestown*, and answer the questions below:

30. What Indian group was in Jamestown before the settlers arrived? **Powhatan**
31. What kind of houses did the Indians in this region live in? **longhouses**
32. What language group were they from? **Algonquian**
33. When did the ships arrive in Jamestown? **1607**
34. What crop was most important to the settlers? **Tobacco**
35. Who is responsible for coming up with this “green gold”? **John Rolfe**
36. What started in 1619? **The beginning of slavery/free labor in the New World**
37. How did the *tools* that the settlers use change in Jamestown? **Wood to metal**
38. Who met to pass the first laws of Virginia? **House of Burgesses**

Now, click *back to Coastal Plains*. Click on the podcast labeled, *Civil War Battle*. Then, answer the questions below:

39. What year was the battle of Williamsburg? **1862**
40. What were the women’s roles during 1861-65? **They took care of everything at “home”. When the men went to war, they had to take care of the plantation and protect the food and valuables. They also had to mourn “properly” if their husband was killed or they were looked down upon or even shot.**
41. What were the soldiers rationed to eat while at camp? **Salt pork, cornmeal, and maybe a potato**
42. What did most of the soldiers die from? **From illnesses**

Read the text below the podcast.

43. Who won the Battle of Williamsburg? **Both sides**