

# Unit 1 Essay Guide

## UNIT ONE ESSAY SAMPLE STUDY QUESTIONS

1. To what extent did the three regions of colonial America develop separate societies in the years prior to the American Revolution?
2. To what extent was American colonial society in the 18th century different from American colonial society in the 17th century?
3. Religion was the most important factor in the development of 17th century colonial America. Assess the validity of this question.
4. Geography was the primary factor for the differences in character between the northern and southern colonies during the 17th century. Assess the validity of this statement.
5. The character of each of the three major regions in colonial America was primarily due to economic reasons. Assess the validity of this statement.
6. There were two Souths: the Chesapeake society and the Carolinas. Assess the validity of this statement.
7. The Puritans were largely successful in realizing their ideal of a "City upon a Hill." Assess the validity of this statement.
8. The origins of slavery in America was based on social reasons rather than economic reasons. Assess the validity of this statement.
9. Americans during the 17th century experienced a great deal of social mobility. Assess the validity of this statement.
10. Analyze the influence of Puritanism in 17th and 18th century America