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Homeroom: _____

Life as a Colonist.

Instruction Page.

Use the book "If you lived in Colonial Times" to find information about what life was like in the Thirteen Colonies. Log the information you find onto this research paper. This graphic organizer will help you put together your final letter. The goal for today is to gather your research so you can build your final task tomorrow. Here is a preview of what your final task will look like:

Your final task:

Imagine that you were a colonist living in the original thirteen colonies. Write a letter to your family back home in Europe. Your letter should contain at least three well-written and thought out paragraphs. Each paragraph must contain at least two facts about colonial life. The entire letter should contain no more than ten facts.

Your letter should include:

- Some of the emotions you are feeling.
- Some of the people you might have met.
- Some of the places you might have visited.
- What the living conditions are on the in the colonies.
- Anything else you would want to tell your family.

On the research page, you are to use the book "If you lived in Colonial Times", written by Anne McGovern, to obtain between six and ten facts about life in the colonies. Remember, after you get the facts, you will be turning them into a letter home to your family who lives in Europe. Choose facts that interest you. This is your research section. An outstanding effort on this sheet will help make writing your letter a little easier! For this activity, you are permitted to work in groups of four. You may talk with the people in your group. Conversations should be about the book!

Hint: When choosing facts, ask yourself the question, will these facts help me put together a letter that makes sense?

Example: If my chosen fact was "Every boy had to bring firewood for the fire. If he forgot, he had to sit far away from the fire. He had to sit in the coldest part of the room", then the sentence in my letter might read "I just got out of school, and boy was I cold. See, before I left for school, I forgot to pick up the firewood my mom left me. The teacher in the school told me to sit in the back of the room!"

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My facts:

1) _____

2) _____

3) _____

4) _____

5) _____

6) _____

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