

Questions on the text :

The Vision of William Penn

1. Who was William Penn ? What do you learn regarding his religious belief ?
2. Why did the King of England give William Penn land in north America ?
3. How did William Penn name his new colony ? Why ?
4. How did he name the capital city of this colony ? Why ?
5. Find a synonym in the text for the word « colony ».
6. Where did the new settlers come from ? Were they all from England ?
7. Did they all share the same religious beliefs ?
8. What is « The Holy Experiment » ?

9. What kind of relationship did William Penn have with the natives (give the name of the tribe) ? **Use your own words.**

10. Who could vote in the new colony ? Which religious groups were denied the right to vote ?
11. Did religious freedom apply to everyone in Pennsylvania ?

12. **Comment upon this sentence from the text:** *« Penn did not extend the protections of his charter to enslaved Africans and African-Americans either. Indeed, the proprietor kept at least three slaves at Pennsbury, his country estate above Philadelphia. »*

13. Did William Penn stay in the colony ?
14. Why can it be said that Penn's legacy is seen in the First Amendment of the United States constitution ?