Chapter 4 Lesson 1: Life in the American Colonies: Colonial Economy

1. Why did New England farmers practice subsistence farming?

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2. How did the Middle Colonies differ from those in the New England Colonies?

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3. What are cash crops?

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4. What is diversity?

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5. How were plantations in the Southern Colonies different from small farms?

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6. What was agriculture so important to the economy of the Southern Colonies?

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7. What was the Middle Passage?

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8. What is a set of rules that says how enslaved people should be have and be punished?

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9. What role did enslaved Africans play in the economy of the Southern Colonies?

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10. Why were New England Farmers unable to grow cash crops?

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11. Why were enslaved Africans brought to the colonies?

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