Fitzgerald Chart of Characteristic of Regions - Complete for New England

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| **Region** | **Settlement** | **Physical Geography** | **Farming** | **Economic Activity** | **People** | **Where People Live** |
| **New England** MassachusettsRhode IslandConnecticutNew Hampshire | Puritans * Want to be example of correct form of Christianity – “City on a Hill”
* form Massachusetts Bay Company
* get a charter
* 1620 - 900 come in 11 ships that they own
* by 1643 - 20,000
* many settlements
* Boston - main settlement
 | * Hills and low mountains
* Narrow coastal plains
* Jagged coastline – natural harbors
* Large areas covered with forest
* Thin, rocky soil
* Long winters – short growing season
* Short summers
* Near great fishing, whaling grounds
 | Subsistence Farming* grow only enough to care for the family well
* not able to grow a single crop just to sell for a profit
 | * Fishing
* Whaling
* Lumber
* Shipbuilding
* Trade/Merchants
	+ Buying and selling large quantities of goods between regions internationally
 | English Puritans* Largest group - middle, upper middle class
* many lawyers and merchants
* seek to reform Church of England by setting example - "City on a Hill"
* high literacy rate as believe all should read Bible
 | Towns - no cities, no villages* Each church has a town
* size limited - so all community members know each other
* Town square surrounded by the church, some shops and some houses
* Small farms circle the town
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| **Middle Colonies**New YorkPennsylvaniaNew JerseyDelaware | New York* The Netherlands starts settlement – New Amsterdam
	+ at mouth of Hudson River
	+ most settlers aren’t Dutch
* King’ brother, Duke of ***York***,

sends warships - middle of British coloies, trading with British colonies* settlement surrenders - wants to be British colony

New Jersey split from New YorkPennsylvania - William Penn * Wealthy - King gives colony to repay debt
* Quakers - believe all humans equal
* Colony a “Holy Experiment” – people of different religions live together in peace
* Advertises all over Europe

Delaware split from Pennsylvania | * Atlantic coastal plains in the east
* Appalachians Mountains in the west
* Longer growing season
* Fertile soil – well suited to wheat
 | Commercial Farming* Cash crop – wheat
* Pennsylvania called “America’s Breadbasket”

(Would have subsistence farmers, too) | * Commercial Farming
	+ Export wheat to New England and Europe
* Mills
	+ Miller bought grain
	+ Ground grain into flour
	+ Sells flour for a profit
* Trade /Merchants
	+ Buying and selling large quantities of goods between regions internationally
 | Diverse* The Netherlands had settlers from all over in New York
* Penn wanted people of different faith to live together and advertised for settlers all over Europe

People from* England
* Scotland
* Wales
* Ireland
* Germany
* The Netherlands
* Switzerland
* Sweden
* France
* Portugal
 | * Cities
	+ New York
	+ Philadelphia
* Farms
* Villages near farms
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| **The South** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **The Backcountry** |  |  |  |  |  |  |