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**  Massachusetts  Rhode Island  Connecticut  New Hampshire | **Puritans**   * Want to be example of correct form of Christianity – “City on a Hill” * Massachusetts Bay Company | * Hills, low mountains * Narrow coastal plains * Jagged coast – natural harbors * Large forests * Thin, rocky soil * Short growing season   + long winter * Near great fishing, whaling grounds | **Subsistence Farming** | * Fishing * Whaling * Lumber * Shipbuilding * Trade - bought/sold large quantities of goods internationally | English Puritans   * Largest group - middle, upper middle class * high literacy rate   + believe all must read Bible | Towns - no cities, no villages |
| **Middle Colonies**  New York  Pennsylvania  New Jersey  Delaware | **New York**   * started by Netherlands but most settlers not Dutch * British attack but settlement surrendered because wanted to be British   + New Jersey split off   **Pennsylvania - William Penn**   * Quaker - believe all **humans equal** * **“Holy Experiment” - Advertised** all over Europe to attract **different religions that will live together in peace**   + Delaware split off | * **Atlantic Coastal Plain - E** * **Appalachian Mountains - W** * **Longer growing season** * **Fertile soil** | **Commercial Farming**   * wheat * “America’s Breadbasket”   (Some **subsistence farmers, too.**) | * **Commercial Farming** -Exported wheat to New England and Europe * **Mills** - bought grain, ground into flour, sold flour for a profit * **Trade** - bought/sold large quantities of goods internationally | **Diverse**  **People from**  England Netherlands  Scotland France  Wales Sweden  Ireland Switzerland  Germany Portugal | **Cities**   * New York * Philadelphia   **Farms**  **Villages** - near farms |
| **The South**  Maryland  Virginia  North Carolina  South Carolina  Georgia | **Virginia**   * First permanent British settlement - **Jamestown**   **Maryland**   * originally for persecuted **Catholics but** passed **religious toleration act** to attract settlers   **Carolinas**   * first settlers - **plantation owners from Caribbean**   **Georgia**   * when start - for **debtors** * Needed colony to **stand against Spanish in Florida, French in Louisiana** | * **fertile soil** * **growing season** - almost **year-round** * **waterways** - allow **ocean-going ships to dock** | **Plantation Farming**  Crops require a lot of labor   * Tobacco * Rice * Indigo (for blue dye) * Later - cotton (1790s)   (**Subsistence farming, too**) | **Plantation Farming**   * **Tobacco** * **Rice** * **Indigo** (for blue dye) * **Later - cotton** (1790s)   **Labor used**  First - Indentured servants  Then - Enslaved workers | **Upper class - Planters**   * Controlled rich land along coast * had all political and economic power * Acted like nobility   **(No Middle Class)**  **Lower class - Subsistence farmers**   * couldn't compete * on poor land in west   **Enslaved Workers - 40% of pop** | * **Plantations** * **Subsistence farms** |