

# The Mayflower Compact

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In the early 1600s, a brave group of English men, women, and children set sail across the vast ocean on a ship called the Mayflower. They were seeking a new home in a faraway land, known today as the United States. These travelers were

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created a document known as the Mayflower Compact. It was a promise or agreement among themselves to make fair and equal laws for their new community.

The Mayflower Compact is a remarkable piece of history because it is one of the earliest examples of self-governance in the American colonies. It stated that the Pilgrims would "covenant and combine themselves into a civil body politic" and

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that they would follow "just and equal laws." They agreed to choose their leaders and make decisions together for the good of all.

This document was a big step toward democracy, where people have a say in their own government. The Pilgrims were not kings or queens; they were regular folk

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- 1) What was the Mayflower Compact?
  - A) A famous painting by a Pilgrim artist
  - B) A ship that brought the Pilgrims to America
  - C) An early agreement for self-governance by the Pilgrims
  - D) A map of the New England coastline

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- D) It declared war on the Native American tribes
- 4) What did the Mayflower Compact say about making laws?
  - A) It stated that only the Pilgrim leaders could make laws
  - B) It promised to make just and equal laws for the good of the community
  - C) It said that no laws were needed in the new land
  - D) It declared that only the English government could make laws

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5) What was the Mayflower Compact?

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8) What did the Mayflower Compact promise?

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