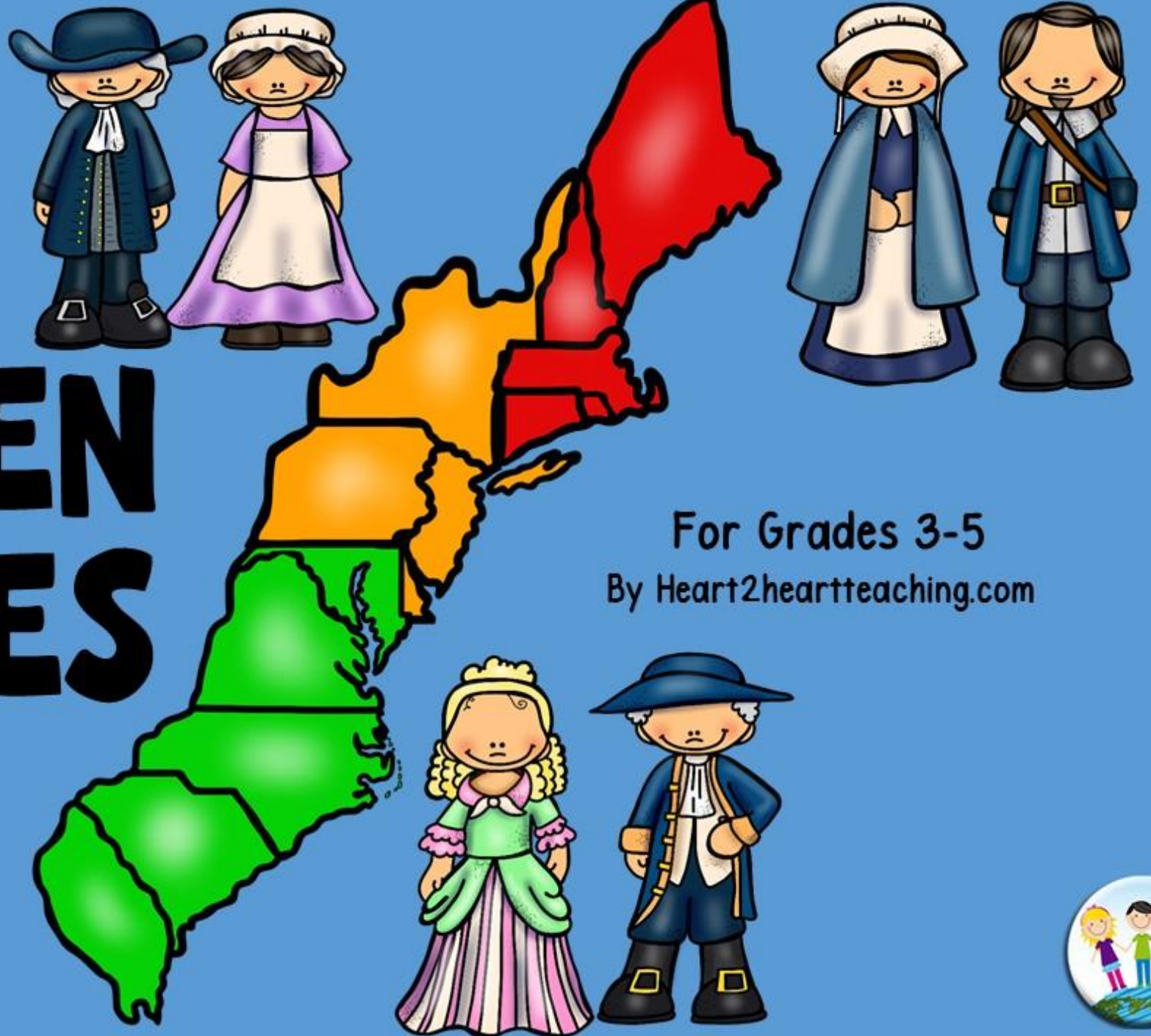


THE THIRTEEN COLONIES

Vocabulary



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Technology in the Colonies

The plow was first invented thousands of years ago during ancient times. But during colonial times, the plow was greatly improved by adding an iron shovel on the end. This "shovel plow" dug a shallow furrow, or trench, in the ground. These walking plows were small enough to be pulled by just one animal, usually an ox. Horses and mules were sometimes used also. Using the plow helped farmers produce more crops and it was a lot easier than doing it all by hand.



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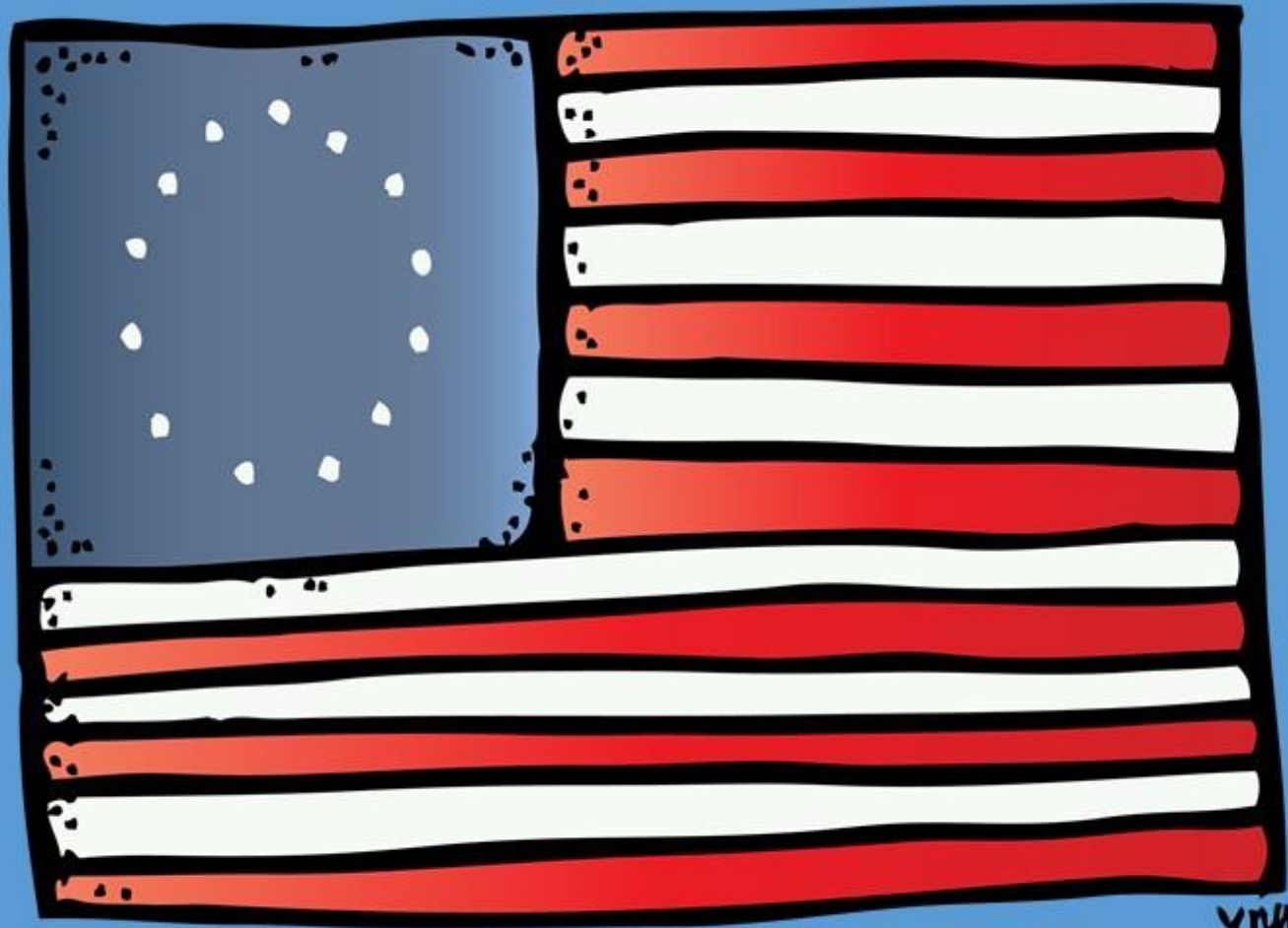
New England colonists became expert shipbuilders. With thick forests and trees all around, they quickly learned how to process the lumber in sawmills for building houses and ships



It wasn't long before shipbuilders began building a new large vessel each year. Ships were needed for fishing and whaling. The most important shipyards were in big cities that sat right on the water, like Boston.

Colony

A territory settled by people from another country and controlled by that country.



Natural Resources



Things found in nature that are beneficial to people.

Agriculture

The practice of farming and raising livestock for food, wool, or other products.



Surplus



An extra supply of something. The colonists had a surplus of wheat.

Import



Bringing goods
or services
into a country
from
another
location.

Export

Sending good or services to another location in order to sell them.



Apprentice



Someone who is learning a trade by working with someone who is skilled in that field.

Merchant



**A person who
buys and sells
goods; a trader.**