

## THE "NEW WORLD"

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These colonists found life in the New World difficult. When they arrived (⑤ ) spring, they were able ( ) [オ hunt] for rabbits, turkeys, and deer. They planted some vegetables, too, but ( ) [～する時] winter came, they did not have ( ) [十分な] food. Many of the colonists became ill and died. Some stayed in America, but others returned to England.

Many came later and started new colonies (⑥ ) the coast. Thirteen of these colonies became the first thirteen states of the U.S. Count the number of stripes on the American flag. There are also fifty stars. They ( ) ( ) [～を表す] the number of states in America today.

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**that year** \_\_\_\_\_ **that name** \_\_\_\_\_

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これらの開拓者たちは新世界での生活が困難だとわかった。

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- (2) Who made the map of the long coast of South America?

Amerigo Vespucci did.

- (3) Why did many of the colonists become ill and die?

Because They didn't have enough food.

- (4) How many stripes are there on the American flag?

There are thirteen stripes on it.