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## Jamestown's Survival Answer Key

Strong written responses should include:

- Key success factors such as:
  - Tobacco crops provided profit and economic growth
  - Better leadership and work rules increased food and shelter
  - Trade and communication with Powhatan improved resources
  - Arrival of women helped build community stability
- Complete sentences with at least two accurate reasons and supporting details
- A concluding sentence that ties ideas together

### Teacher's Guide

- Encourage quoting or referencing class texts when possible
- Remind students to use transition words (first, also, because, finally)

### Differentiation:

- Provide a word bank (survival, leadership, cooperation, resources, tobacco, community)
- Allow sentence frames for developing writers
- Encourage advanced writers to include **three** supporting reasons

### Engagement Ideas:

- Peer review: students swap essays and highlight evidence in each other's writing
- Class discussion before writing: "Top 3 reasons Jamestown survived"
- Create a classroom anchor chart of success factors collected from student responses

### Extension Options:

- Assign a comparative essay about Plymouth Colony's success factors
- Students illustrate one example from their essay (tobacco field, fortified walls, etc.)