

VS.3b Reasons for Jamestown Site Choice

Directions:

- Copy the template below, front to back, onto 8 ½ x 11” white or colored paper so that the title “Reasons for Site Choice” is at the top, upside down, and the 4 reasons are on the reverse side, at the bottom of the page.
- Students fold the four reasons over and crease, hotdog fold, but creasing off center, leaving a tab, so that the title “Reasons for Site Choice” can be seen.
- Cut on the dotted lines between the reasons, creating 4 tabs.
- Lift each tab and write details about the reasons underneath.
- Students may add drawings under the tabs if desired.

Answer Key:

Instructions	Settlers were told by the Virginia Company to go inland. They were also told to find a good place to start a colony.
Location	They picked a location that could be defended easily from attack by sea. They feared attack from the Spanish.
Ships Docking	They chose a place where the shore was deep enough so the ships could dock.
Drinking Water	They believed that the site they picked had a good supply of fresh water.



Reasons for Site Choice

**Drinking
Water**

**Docking
Ships**

Location

Instructions

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