Faith and Freedom

Two colonial responses to limits on religion

5.C.2.1.B "Anne Hutchinson's opposition to Puritan restrictions on religious freedom C William Penn's establishment of a haven for Quakers and diverse faiths in Pennsylvania"

NAME _____ DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK

Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline what Hutchinson did to challenge religious limits, circle Penn's plans and laws that protected worship, and write 1 beside a limit on freedom in Pennsylvania.

Two Paths Toward Religious Freedom

1. In the 1630s, Anne Hutchinson lived in the Massachusetts Bay Colony. Puritan leaders expected people to follow the colony's religious teachings. Hutchinson invited neighbors to her home to discuss sermons and question what ministers said. She believed people could understand their faith without simply accepting a minister's word. Leaders saw her ideas as a challenge to their authority. After a trial in 1637, they banished her from the colony.

2. Across the Atlantic, William Penn was a Quaker, a member of a religious group that had faced punishment in England. In 1681, the king gave Penn land in North America. Penn planned Pennsylvania as a place where Quakers and people of other faiths could live. He wanted settlers to practice their beliefs without being forced to join one church. His colony's rules protected worship for people who believed in God.

3. Hutchinson and Penn both challenged religious limits, but they took different paths. Hutchinson spoke out in a Puritan colony and was banished. Penn built a colony where several faiths could worship. Pennsylvania's freedom had limits, however: under a charter, only Christians could hold public office. Hutchinson's story shows the cost of questioning leaders. Penn's story shows how a leader could protect worship through a colony's laws, even if those protections were not equal for everyone.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE

Use the passage

1. What did Hutchinson do that Puritan leaders saw as a challenge, and what happened to her?

2. Why might Penn's plan for Pennsylvania have appealed to Quakers in England?

3. How did Hutchinson and Penn take different actions to challenge religious limits?

4. What limit kept people of different faiths from having the same chance to hold office in Pennsylvania?

3 YOUR TURN

Your own words

Write three sentences proposing rules for a new settlement. Include one rule protecting discussion of religious ideas and one protecting worship by different faiths, and explain how the rules connect to Hutchinson and Penn.

ANSWER KEY

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PART 1 · READ AND MARK

Underline what Hutchinson did to challenge religious limits, circle Penn's plans and laws that protected worship, and write 1 beside a limit on freedom in Pennsylvania. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 · ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	What did Hutchinson do that Puritan leaders saw as a challenge, and what happened to her?	**She held discussions in her home and questioned ministers' teachings. The leaders banished her.**
2	Why might Penn's plan for Pennsylvania have appealed to Quakers in England?	**Quakers had faced punishment in England, while Penn planned a colony where they could practice their faith.**
3	How did Hutchinson and Penn take different actions to challenge religious limits?	**Hutchinson questioned religious leaders in an existing colony. Penn built a colony with laws protecting worship by several faiths.**
4	What limit kept people of different faiths from having the same chance to hold office in Pennsylvania?	**Under a charter, only Christians could hold public office.**

PART 3 · YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

Neighbors may discuss and question religious teachings without being punished, a rule that reflects Anne Hutchinson's challenge to Puritan leaders. Families of different faiths may worship in their own ways, following William Penn's plan for Pennsylvania. Together, these rules would protect both the sharing of ideas and the practice of faith.

Accept answers that connect Hutchinson to questioning religious leaders and Penn to protecting worship by different faiths. Students may describe Pennsylvania's limits, but should not claim that its laws treated every faith equally.