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Interdisciplinary Unit

Eleuthera: The Island of Freedom

The island of Eleuthera, which was called **Cigateo**, is located east of the island of New Providence. The name Eleuthera is a **Greek** word that means **freedom**.

The first group of people that settled in Eleuthera were the Europeans who later called themselves the **Eleutheran Adventurers**. They were from the island of Bermuda. They came in search of religious freedom. Their leader was **Captain William Sayle**. On their journey to Eleuthera, the Eleutheran Adventurers were **shipwrecked**. They made it to land and they found a cave, which is now called Preacher's Cave.

The capital of Eleuthera is **Governors Harbour**. Eleuthera is famous for many things, one of them being the **Glass Window Bridge.**

Off of the coast of Eleuthera, there are three other inhabited islands. These are Current Island, Harbour Island and Spanish Wells. You can only get to these islands by ferryboat.

Harbour island is known for its pink sand beaches. Spanish Wells is famous for its multi-million dollar fishing industry.

The island of Eleuthera is **long** and **narrow.** It is also famous for its delicious **pineapples**. Pineapples grow in light red soil and they take eighteen months to grow. Every year in the month of **July**, the **Pineapple Festival** is held on the island of Eleuthera.



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Read the passage and answer the following questions.

1. What was the name of Eleuthera before it was changed?

(a) Cigar Island (b) Pineapple island (c) Cigateo

2. Where did the Europeans come from?

The Bahamas Bermuda Barbados Baghdad.

3. Why did the Europeans come to Eleuthera?

(a) They were running away from their families.
(b) They wanted to worship in their own way.
(c) They didn't want to worship at all.
(d) They were hiding from the police.

4. Who was the leader of the Europeans?

(a) Christopher Columbus
(b) Ponce De Leon
(c) Captain Blackbeard
(d) Captain William Sayle

5. Click on the items that Eleuthera is known for.

pink sand crabs bridge fishing flamingos

6. Click on the fruit that the island is known for.

guavas sea grapes pineapples watermelons

7. What does the word Eleuthera mean? _____

8. How many settlements are on the island of Eleuthera?

5 10 15 20

9. What month is the Pineapple Festival held? _____

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