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Social Studies

The Proprietary Governors

Instructions Use the Letters and Match the Proprietary Governors with the correct description.

1. _____ His misfortune of serving in 1703 was it was right after the Spanish invasion He stayed for several weeks and left.

2. _____ It was reported that during the two years he was in New Providence he made a profit of \$8000 which could only have come from dealings with the pirates.

3. _____ . Under this Governor, the Attorney-General and Speaker of the House were pirate. His collector of customs duties offered him bribes of gold and goods a few days after his arrival Deputy Governor Elding was charged with piracy and illegal trade along with several other men.

4. _____ He was a crook and a dictator. He never did anything to benefit the Lord Proprietors or the settlers. sold gunpowder to pirates and would not prosecute them for any crimes they committed.

5. _____ He built a new fort for protection against the Spanish and he also built a new town. The new town was named Nassau

6. _____ He replaced Clarke as Governor of the Bahamas, found the economy in poor shape and refused to punish a man who had attacked some Spanish settlement in Florida and returned to New Providence

Governors

- A. Edward Birch
- B. Nicholas Webb
- C. Elias Haskette
- D. Cadwallader Jones
- E. Nicholas Trott
- F. Richard Lilburne
- G. Thomas Bridges
- H. Huh Wentworth
- I. Robert Clarke
- J. Charles Chillingworth
- K. John Wentworth

7._____ A council of 12 men assisted him. He was a Jamaican preacher who led a group of migrants to The Bahamas without his governor's permission in 1686.

8._____ Appointed as the first official Proprietary Governor, but he died before he arrived and because he drowned at sea.

9._____ He commissioned privateers (legal pirates) to destroy Spanish ships.

10._____. He tried to encourage the people to farm rather than depend on imported goods. He wanted them to plant tobacco, indigo, and cotton, and also encouraged people to grow cattle but they refused.

11._____ He was a sea captain and a pirate before he became a first Proprietary Governor of The Bahamas.

12. Explain why Proprietary Government failed in The Bahamas. Give three reasons (3)
