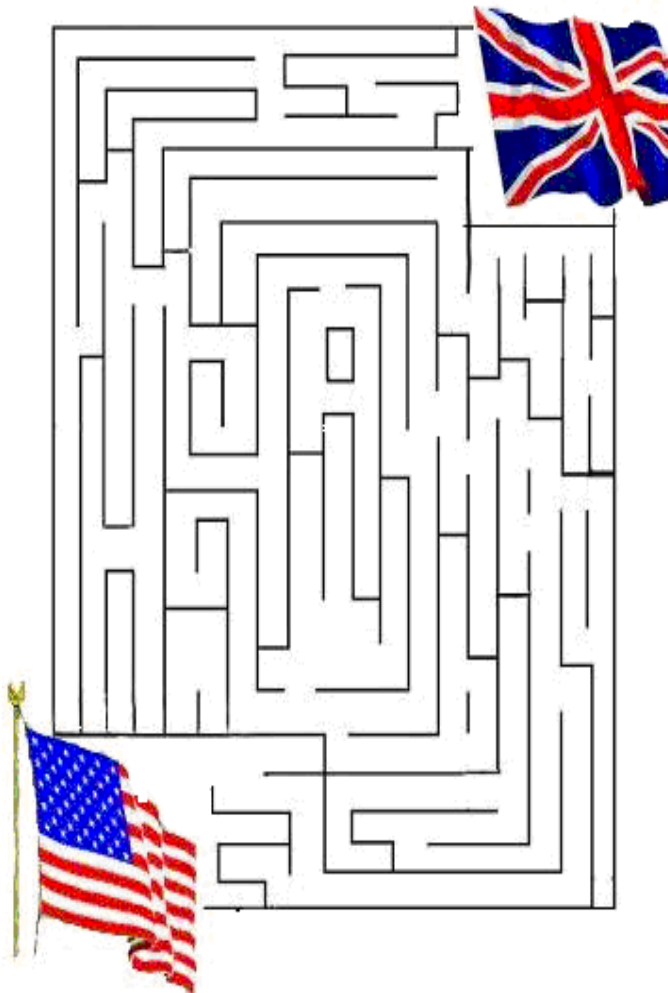




Lost on the way to Jamestown!

It took five months for the first ships to travel across the Atlantic Ocean from London to **Jamestown**.
Can you find the way?



400 years since the first British kids moved to America

2007 is the 400th anniversary of the first ever journey that British kids made to America.

In May 1607 three small ships arrived in America after a tough five month journey from London. On board the ships was a group of boys who had been chosen to help build the first English American settlement. They called this settlement **Jamestown**.



Why did they go? In the following years many boys and girls traveled to **Jamestown**. Most of these kids had been homeless on the streets of London before they were picked to go to America. They were collected by local hospitals and cared for. After they gained full health they trained in skills which would be useful in the new world, like carpentry.

It sounds like a great adventure, but it wasn't all fun and games for the new arrivals. They had to leave behind their homes and work hard to build and make everything they needed. They also had to grow all their own food. Many of them got sick because of the hard conditions. They had to learn how to get along with each other and with their new neighbors, the Native Americans.

You can find out more about **Jamestown** on the U.S. Embassy website.

<http://london.usembassy.gov/kids/didyouknowjamestown.html>

