


Wish You Were Here!

Talking it through: Teacher notes

Although only 6 minutes long the Wish You Were Here video presentation contains a lot of information. A discussion with pupils will allow them to digest the information and retain it for later recall.

The video script was written based on a number of Key Ideas that could be used as the basis of questions to prompt discussion.

Key Idea	Suggested question.
These were ordinary people.	Who were the people that were later called the Pilgrim Fathers?
It was a time of religious wars.	What was going on in the world at the time?
England was part of European wide changes.	Was it just in England that there religious disputes?
Religious persecution.	Could people worship as they chose?
Immigrants are not always welcome.	Why was it difficult for the separatists to get jobs in Holland?
Situations can change and places become unsafe.	Why did they chose to move again?
This was an expensive and dangerous undertaking.	Did the separatists have the money to make the journey?
When they arrived they would be in debt?	So how did they pay for it?
The weather turned bad.	Did the voyage go smoothly?
They arrived at an inhospitable shore.	Could they land and start settling straight away?
The voyage had been hard, and there was still much to do.	Were people happy to stay on the ship?
The colonists didn't settle in the first place they made landfall. Low supplies meant no crops.	Why do you think they took the food from the abandoned village?

Both sides had reasons for both peace and war.	Could things have gone badly between the Pilgrims and the Wampanoag?
Choices were made.	What did the Sachem do that made a difference?
The colonists did not want to adapt, but to recreate their existing lifestyle.	What was similar or different between the Pilgrim's houses in America and those in England?
<p>Looking through the list it is possible to come up with parallels with modern life that might help pupils connect to the lives of the separatists and Wampanoag who lived 400 years ago.</p>	
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