

JAMAICA history

- i'm sorry for the poor language in this text from wikipedia. It has since been edited and shortened on the site .. but anyway, here are some questions to the text

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1. When was the island 'discovered' by the Europeans?
2. What were the original inhabitants called?
3. They were 'exterminated' the text says. How or why, do you think? (look up "arawak")
4. Who colonized the island .. and so on
5. What were the role of the pirates?
6. Look up "Henry Morgan" to find out some more

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1. English rule started in 1655 – what happened? Look up "Robert Venables" to find out more
2. How did the new British rulers cooperate with the pirates?
3. What was the main source of income (profit) for the colony?
4. Jamaica imported a lot of slaves. Why? and how many were there?
5. What are "Maroons"?
6. What are "free people of color"?
7. When was slavery abolished?

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1. What is the capital today in Jamiaca?
2. What are the two major political parties in Jamaica?
3. What is the difference in politics between the two? Look up the two parties (follow the links on wikipedia)
4. Today many people from Jamaica emigrate - why?
5. - and whereto?
6. Is this a problem or a benefit to Jamaica?