Read chapter 4.3 and complete the following. Then answer the questions on the back.

**The Atlantic Slave Trade:**

Approximately __________________ enslaved Africans were brought to the Americas between 1500 and 1800. English colonists from ______________________ and other places were actively shipping enslaved Africans across the __________________. Most enslaved Africans came from ________________. They were captured by ______________________ and then sold to European slave traders for guns and other goods.

The Europeans loaded the enslaved Africans onto boats and transported them across the ocean. This voyage was called ________________. As a result of the brutal conditions on board, __________ % of enslaved Africans died during the voyage. Once they reached the Americas, healthy enslaved Africans were sold on the ____________________________.

By around 1700, there was a regular route for slave traders called the ________________, which involved the American colonies, Africa, and Europe. New England provided ______________________ and the Caribbean provided ______________________, in this trade system. New England traders often had to illegally __________________ their goods back into the colonies, violating the Navigation Acts.

**Slavery in the Colonies**

The first Africans who reached Jamestown were ________________ but eventually the ________________ economy came to depend on ________________ because ________________ were so large that planters needed them to work the fields. Also, enslaved people would work forever but ________________ were only temporary.

In 1639, Maryland passed a law that said slavery was for ________________ and freedom was not an option. In 1663, Virginia passed a law that stated that any child born to a slave would be ________________. Rhode Island and Georgia passed laws ________________ slavery, but eventually they were overturned and every colony has made slavery ________________. Most European colonists came to believe that they were ________________ to Africans, even ones that were not enslaved.

The first slave ________________ in North America occurred was in 1663, but was unsuccessful. Others occurred soon after. To stop these, strict laws called ________________ were passed to keep enslaved people from organizing. These laws said that enslaved people could not meet ________________, own ________________, or even leave the ________________ without permission. Enslaved Africans continued to ________________.
CHAPTER 4.3 READING GUIDE

Please answer the following questions in complete sentences.

1. Why would captains cram so many people on board their ships?

2. Once the Africans were in the Americas, could families stay together? Why?

3. What law were New England colonists breaking by participating in the triangular trade and how were they breaking it? Why do you think they were willing to break this law?

4. How was slavery in the colonies different than slavery in ancient times?

5. How did Africans in North America influence the culture where they were brought?