

Working with Natives

Maintaining good relations in the region with Native Americans, known as Delawares, was part of Penn's plan to preserve harmony. In a letter to the Delaware chiefs, Penn wrote that he hoped that they could always live together as neighbors and friends.

Penn did not believe in taking land that did not belong to him, so he purchased land from the Native Americans. As a result, Pennsylvania was able to avoid the violent conflicts with native peoples that occurred in other colonies.



MAP OF PENNSYLVANIA AND WEST JERSEY, 1696.

Homework Question:

Why did the colony of Pennsylvania grow so quickly?