



## Understanding the Reading: The Dissenter Movement in Virginia

1. What was the only church allowed in Virginia in the 1740s?
2. Who was Samuel Davies?
3. Since Davies was not a minister from the Church of England, what did he have to do in order to be able to preach?
4. Define dissenter:
5. What made Samuel Davies a dissenter?
6. What was the punishment for being a dissenter?
7. Define natural right:
8. Why do you think that Samuel Davies and others would risk beatings and even death in order to have their natural rights?
9. What church was Davies able to start in Virginia?
10. Why is Hanover County, Virginia an important place when learning about dissenters?

Complete this activity by filling in the statement below with a thoughtful answer:

If I were able to meet Samuel Davies, I would tell him or ask him

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