Charter of 1732

-gave 21 trustees the right to govern the colony for 21 years (until 1753)

-led by James Oglethorpe, unofficial leader

Reasons for Georgia’s settlement:

1—Philanthropy: poor and unemployed people looking for a “new start” at life

- selected skilled craftsman

2—Economics: mercantilism trade policy

- colonist would grow rice, indigo, grapes for wine, silk, and tobacco (W.R.I.S.T. crops)

3—Defense: primarily from the Spanish in Florida

- colony would serve as the military “buffer” zone between the Spanish and South Carolina