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Grade 5 Social Studies Worksheet - Building Confidence

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5. Which happened first: Harvard is founded or the Mayflower lands?
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