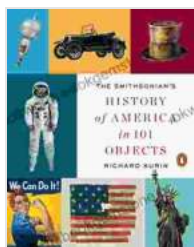


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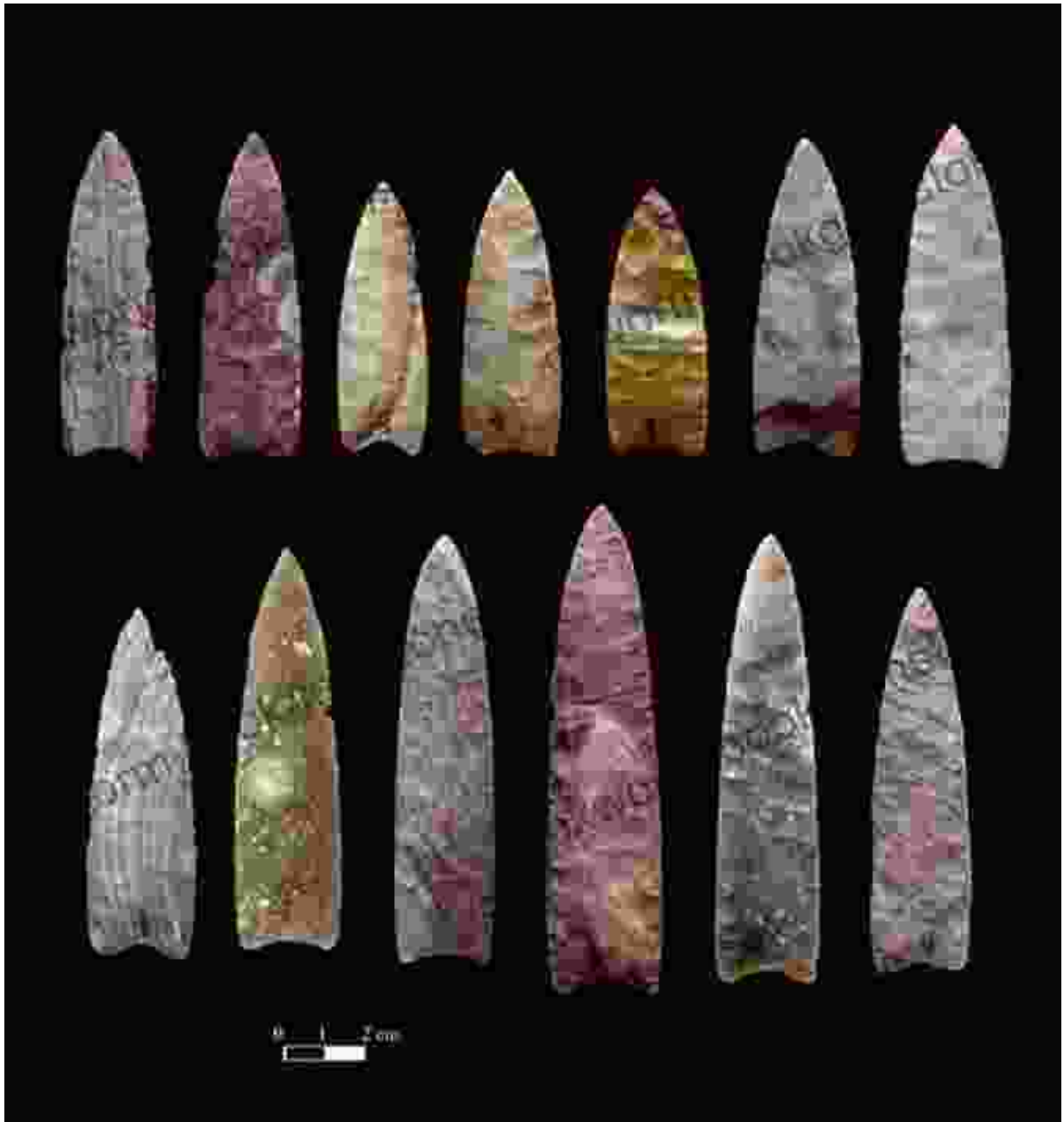
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- **Clovis point:** A stone tool used by Paleo-Indians to hunt large game.



Clovis point

10,000 BCE - 9000 BCE

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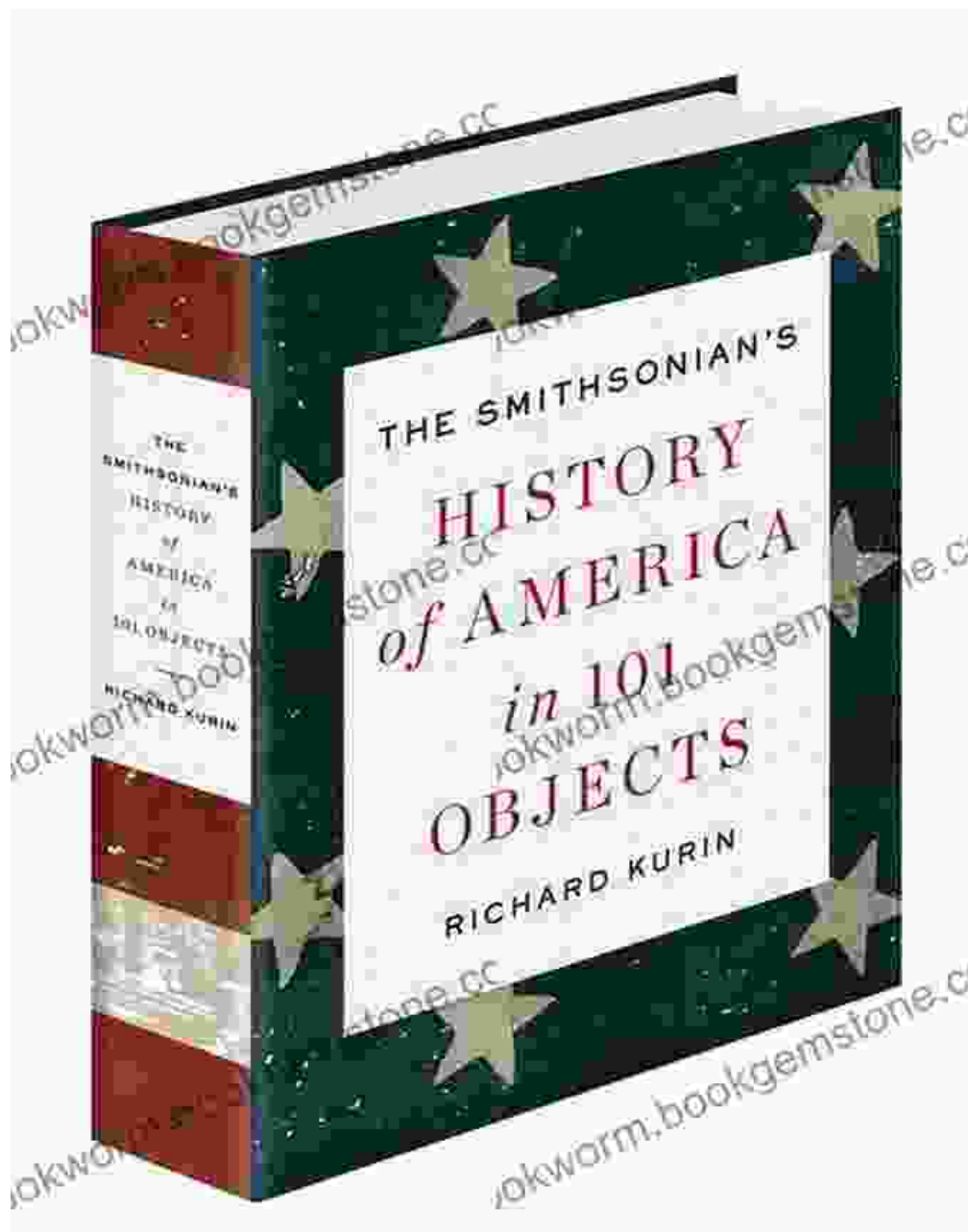
Mississippian copper plate

1200 CE - 1600 CE

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- **Jamestown Bible:** The first Bible printed in the American colonies.



Jamestown Bible

1607

Colonial Williamsburg

- **Mayflower Compact:** The governing document of the Plymouth Colony, which was signed by the Pilgrims in 1620.



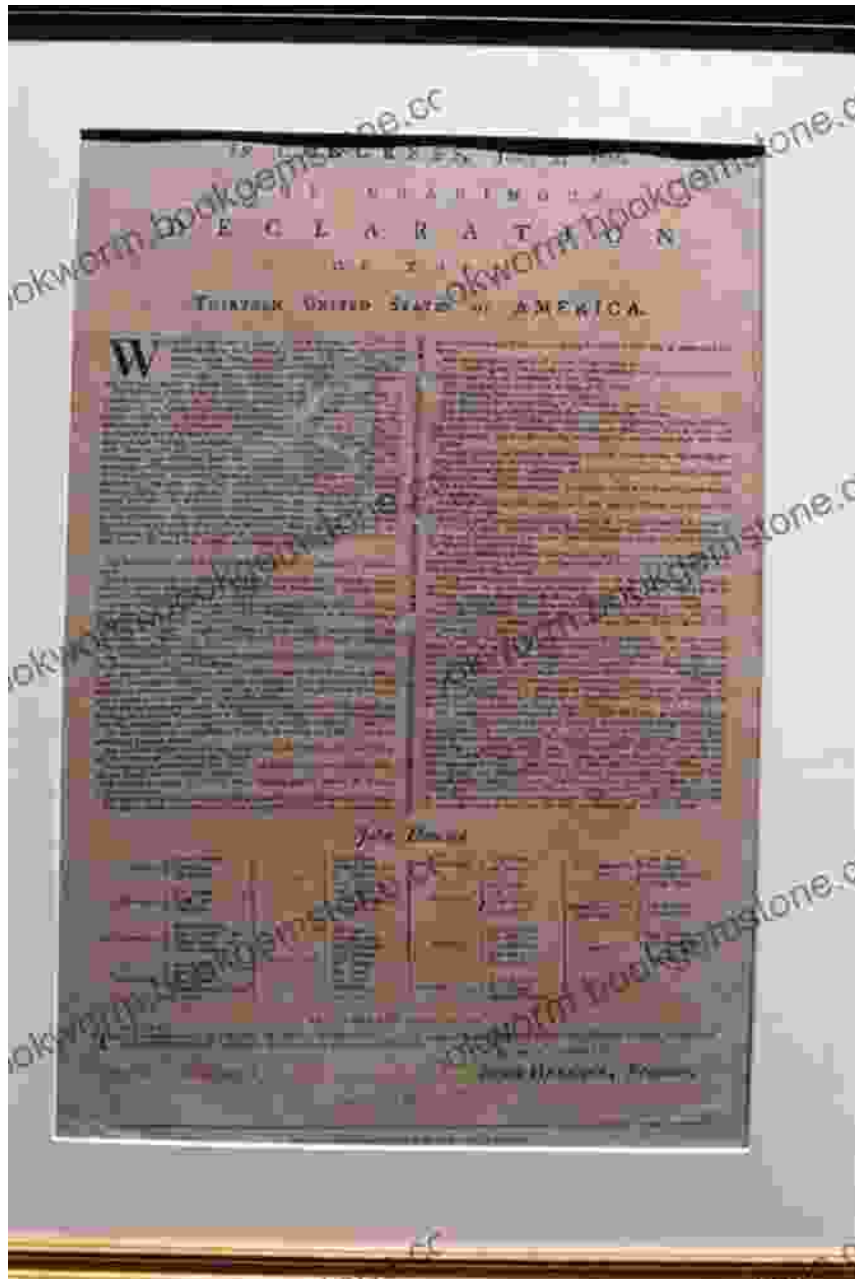
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- **Declaration of Independence:** The document that declared the American colonies' independence from Great Britain.



Declaration of Independence

1776

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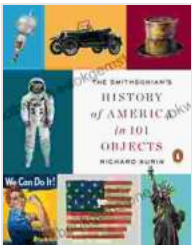
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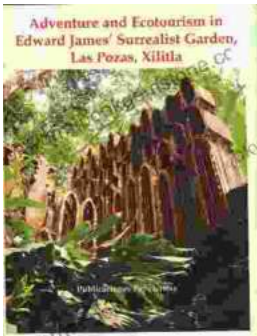
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