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New Lives in New England



As a Young Historian, I will be able to...

- Explain why some Puritans left England.
- Describe the Puritan colony in Massachusetts and explain why Rhode Island, Connecticut, and New Hampshire were founded.
- Analyze the relationship between New Englanders and American Indians.

Religion Leads to Persecution

Puritans- People who wanted to “Purify” the Church of England that was “too Catholic”

Separatists- Puritans who wanted to leave the Church of England to create a new church

Puritans believed you came to the world to do hard work for God

Some would flee to North America to practice their beliefs

The New Colonies!

Pilgrims cross the Atlantic to Massachusetts Bay & set up the **Mayflower Compact**, their set of laws of self-government

John Winthrop leads Puritans to search for “A city on a hill” in present day Boston.

Roger Williams- Argued that the American Indians should be paid for the land

Anne Hutchinson- Argued that women deserved rights as well.

The Salem Witch Trials

Puritans would suspect that any ill will was from witches

Witches were to be found, prosecuted, & neutralized.

Salem Witch Trials were the most famous account of these, 19 people executed.

When accusations began on the wealthy, the persecution of witches ended.

Relationships with the American Indians

Puritans saw tribes as “lazy savages”

The Pequot War- Puritans, along with rival tribes, go to war with the Pequot Tribe. Puritans burn a village of 600-700 people.

Puritans also try to move American Indians to “**praying towns**” to convert them.

King Philips War- Chief Metacom goes to war with the colonies. Eventually is killed and tribes flee to Canada.