

CLASS NOTES
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Read the following quotes from the first few pages of Act 1. Then answer the questions that follow.

1. "The Englishmen who landed there were motivated mainly by a hunt for profit."
 - What reasons brought colonists to the new world?
 - **Religion (ppl were being persecuted in England → they wanted to escape)**
 - **Three "G"s → Gold (gain wealth), God (spread religion), Glory (gain power from new territories)**
 - **"HUNT FOR PROFIT" → They want WEALTH**

2. "It was however, an **autocracy** by consent, for they were uniting from top to bottom by a commonly held ideology whose perpetuation was the reason and justification for all their sufferings."

- What is an autocracy?
A system of gov't in which ONE leader has total control
- If people give their consent to the government, what does this mean?
Consent = permission; ppl give the gov't power & permission to exist & to do what it wants
- What are some enlightenment ideas about government?
John Locke: Ppl are born with natural rights; these rights are LIFE, LIBERTY, and PROPERTY → the gov't cannot take these rights away → ppl have the right to rebel (go against/break away)

3. "But the people of Salem in 1692 were not quite the dedicated folk that arrived on the Mayflower"

- Who arrived on the Mayflower?
Pilgrims (aka Separatists)
- Compare the people of Salem with the people of Plymouth.

Salem	Plymouth
<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Puritans- Wanted to purify Church of England- Part of John Winthrop's vision of "a city upon a hill"	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Pilgrims- Wanted to start a new church and <u>separate</u> from the Church of England

4. "The witch hunt was not, however, a mere repression"

- What does it mean to *repress* people?
 - **To keep ppl under control; to restrain/hold down**
 - **Witch hunt: worse than repression → ppl wanted to kill, hurt, eliminate**

Write a short paragraph explaining how the Puritans handled people who did not comply with their way of life. Add specific details (examples) and analysis.

Puritans banished ppl who disagreed with them. Anne Hutchinson and Roger Williams disagreed with the Puritans and were kicked out of Massachusetts Bay. Those who were kicked out created new colonies in Rhode Island and Connecticut.
