# Class Notes 9/8/15

## "The Lottery"

#### Themes:

- Human beings cannot be trusted
- Human beings are followers
- People can turn on one another quickly
- Following blind traditions may not be best-Following others blindly may not be good
- Question things and make your own decisions
- Human nature to blame others and not take responsibility on your own
- Children are influenced easily by their environment

## **Puritans & Pilgrims**

|   | Puritans                              |   | Pilgrims                              |
|---|---------------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|
| • | Wanted to "purify" the Church of      | • | Separatists → wanted to separate from |
|   | England (wanted to improve the        |   | the Church of England                 |
|   | Church)                               | • | Set up a colony in Plymouth (came     |
| • | Came to America to escape religious   |   | over on the Mayflower)                |
|   | persecution                           |   |                                       |
| • | Created a colony in Massachusetts Bay |   |                                       |

## Vocabulary:

Persecution

Toleration