**PURITAN DBQ**

**Question:**  
In what ways did **ideas and values** held by **Puritans** influence the **political, economic**, and **social development** of the New England colonies from 1630 through the 1660s?

**Puritan Thesis Statements**

Puritans built close knit communities in the New England colonies that combined government and religious beliefs, promoted a productive society, and enforced conformity.

The Puritans held highly religious, socially stratified ideals that resulted in a strict political-religious environment, patriarchal social hierarchies, and an aversion to trade in favor of maintaining religious purity, shaping that conformist nature of the colonies through the 17th century.

Power of government, community over individual, and religious intolerance influence the New England colonies from the 1630's to the 1660's.

The Puritans lived in a structured environment where church and state were combined and everything revolved around the Bible  
This led to a community based on conformity, intolerance, strict laws, and an expectation of hard work.

The Puritans were a strict, religious community who celebrated conformity and shunned more liberal religious views. They were tightly-knit and valued hard working, educated Christian men.