### Bay Psalm Book (1640)
- Actual title - *The Whole Booke of Psalmes Faithfully Translated into English Metre*
- It was the very first book printed in North America
- 1700 copies were printed
- 11 copies survive

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Roger Williams
His background
- He was a Puritan who came to America as part of the Great Migration.
- He developed strong Separatist beliefs and was a pioneer in advocating separation of church & state.

His Three Core Beliefs
- Civil authorities should have no jurisdiction over religious matters. And churches should have no authority over civil matters. There should be a separation of church and state.
- The Puritans should all become Separatists because the church of England was associated too strongly with political authority.
- Christian kings have no authority over Indian lands, therefore, the Massachusetts Bay Company Charter should be invalidated because the English king had no right to grant the charter in the first place.

His Life in the Colonies
- Because of his core beliefs, he was a thorn in the side of the Puritan leaders who embraced the vision for Theocracy - "Government by God".
- He was banished from Massachusetts.
- He negotiated for land from the Narragansett Indians and established Rhode Island.
- He said that his settlement was to be a haven for those "distressed of conscience," and it soon attracted quite a collection of dissenters and otherwise-minded individuals.

His writings
- *Letter to the Town of Providence, January 1655, on the Limits of Freedom*
- *A Key Into the Language of America*
  - *They See God's Wonders*
  - *Boast Not Proud English*
  - *The Courteous Pagan*

Michael Wigglesworth
His background
- He was a Puritan who came to America as part of the Great Migration.
- He shows deep concern for the changing spiritual condition of the colonists.
- He fears that the Puritan vision of the early settlers is dying out.

His writings
- His Poems reveal strong Puritan Themes
- *God's Controversy With New England*
- *Day of Doom*

Anne Bradstreet
Her Background
- Wife and mother - She showed her devotion to her children and to her husband in her writings.
- Her brother-in-law had her first set of poems published secretly as *The Tenth Muse Lately Sprung Up in America*

Her Writings
- *Contemplations*
- *On My Dear Grandchild Simon Bradstreet Who Died on 16 November 1669 Being But a Month and One Day Old*
- *Here Follows Some Verses Upon the Burning of Our House July 10th, 1666. Copied Out of a Loose Paper*
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