

# Push/Pull Factors

When people migrate, they don't just leave one place and magically arrive somewhere else. Usually something pushes them away from their native country and pulls them toward a new place. This idea is called the push pull factor.

## PUSH Factors

Are the circumstances that make a person want to leave. Don't have a job?

Treated badly by your government? Lose all of your crops in a drought?

These kinds of problems can cause people to look for a better life somewhere else.

## PULL Factors

Are the advantages a country has that make a person want to come and live there. America has huge pull factors for many people around the world who live with unstable governments, few job opportunities, and no reliable security.

## PUSH Factors

### Political

- ✓ Oppressive ruler
- ✓ War

### Economic

- ✓ No jobs/money
- ✓ High taxes/prices
- ✓ Lack of food
- ✓ High cost of living

### Geographic

- ✓ No land available
- ✓ No resources

### Social

- ✓ Religious persecution
- ✓ Lack of education
- ✓ No opportunities

## PULL Factors

### Political

- ✓ Self Government
- ✓ Peace

### Economic

- ✓ Jobs available
- ✓ Lower prices
- ✓ Abundance of food
- ✓ Low cost of living

### Geographic

- ✓ Abundance of land
- ✓ Abundance of resources

### Social

- ✓ Religious freedom
- ✓ Educational opportunities
- ✓ New prospects



# Why did the Pilgrims Come to the New World?

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•Color the arrow from England to the Netherlands...**BLUE**

•In the NETHERLANDS box, using **BLUE**, write the following:

“Was the most religiously tolerant country in Europe.”

“Jobs were available.”

“Land was available.”

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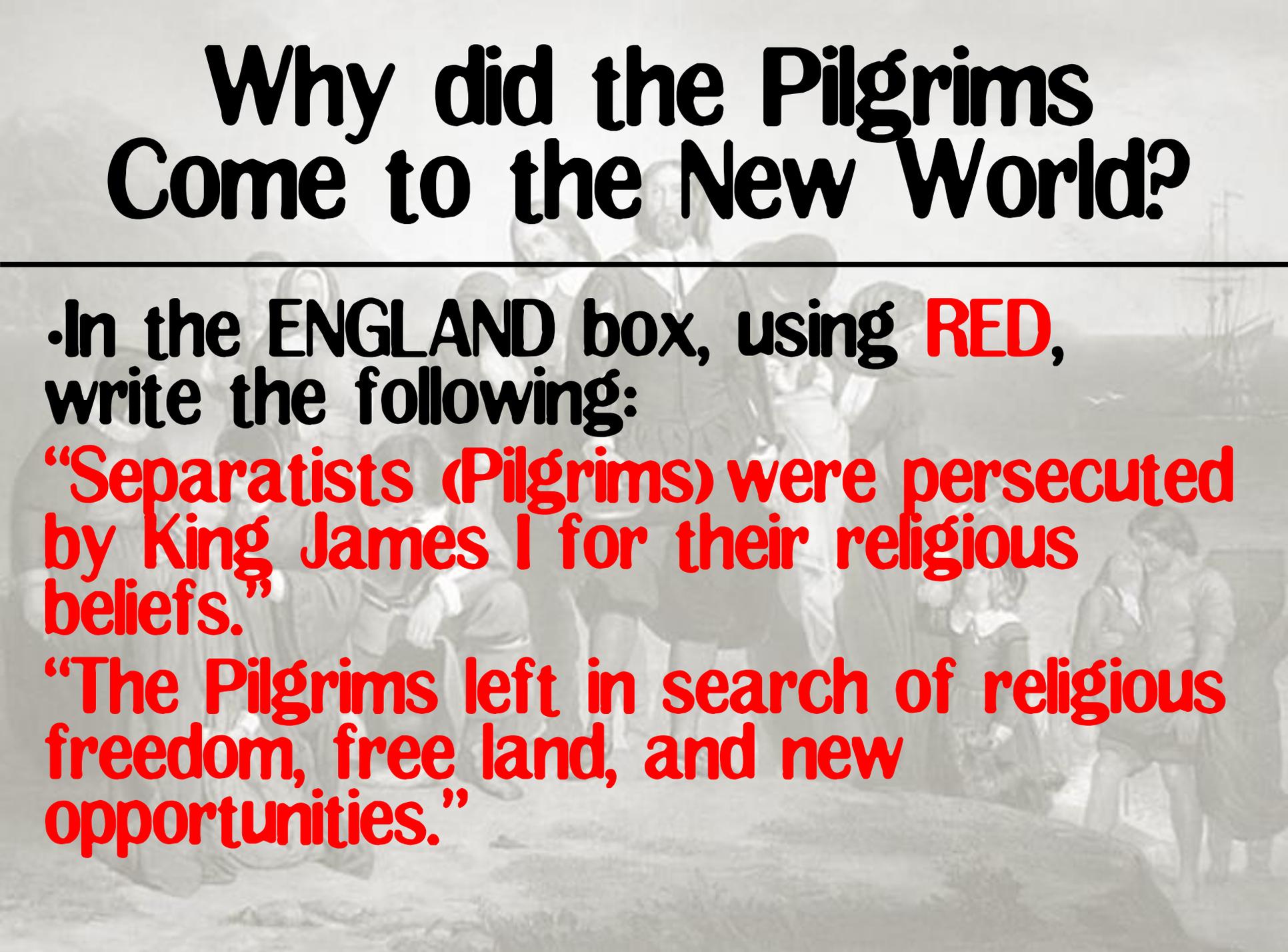
•Color the arrow from the Netherlands to England...**RED**

•In the **NETHERLANDS** box, using **RED**, write the following:

**“Children started acting too Dutch.”**

**“Loss of English way of life/culture.”**

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•In the ENGLAND box, using **RED**,  
write the following:

“Separatists (Pilgrims) were persecuted  
by King James I for their religious  
beliefs.”

“The Pilgrims left in search of religious  
freedom, free land, and new  
opportunities.”

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•Color the arrow from England to the  
New World...**BLUE**

•In the NEW WORLD box, using **BLUE**,  
write the following:

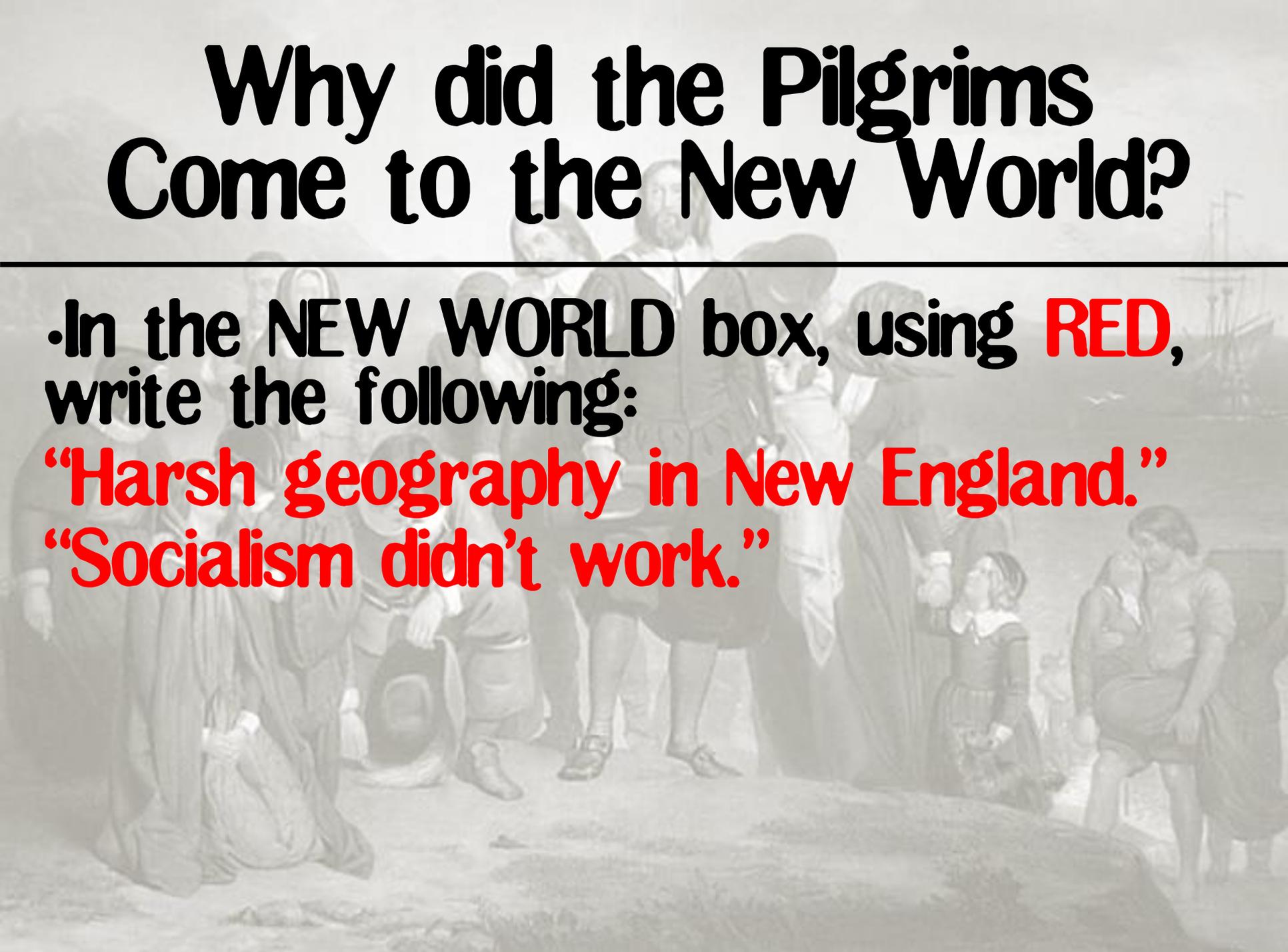
“Religious freedom available.”

“Developed a community compact.”

“Established majority rule.”

“Developed their own culture.”

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•In the NEW WORLD box, using **RED**,  
write the following:

“Harsh geography in New England.”

“Socialism didn’t work.”