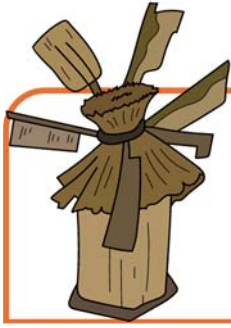


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Witch Trial Timeline

Directions: Number the events in the correct order (1-8). Start with the early accusations and end with the governor's actions.

_____ Accused girls in Salem Village begin acting strangely and blame local women for using magic.

_____ Governor Phips orders the Court of Oyer and Terminer to be created to handle the growing number of trials.

_____ Bridget Bishop is the first person tried and executed for witchcraft in Salem.

_____ Spectral evidence (claims of invisible spirits) is allowed in court, leading to more convictions.

_____ The hysteria spreads, and many people, including respected community members, are arrested.

_____ Governor Phips steps in and stops the use of spectral evidence because too many innocent people are being accused.

_____ The court finds several people not guilty, showing that doubt about the trials is growing.

_____ Governor Phips finally ends the special court, and many remaining prisoners are released.