

Chapter 14: New Directions in Thought and Culture in the Sixteenth and Seventeenth Centuries

Section 6: Continuing Superstition

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- European Beliefs
 - 16th-17th century



- Witches

- A woman who practices

- Black magic



Village Origins

- “Cunning Folk”
 - Local healers
 - Thought to use magic



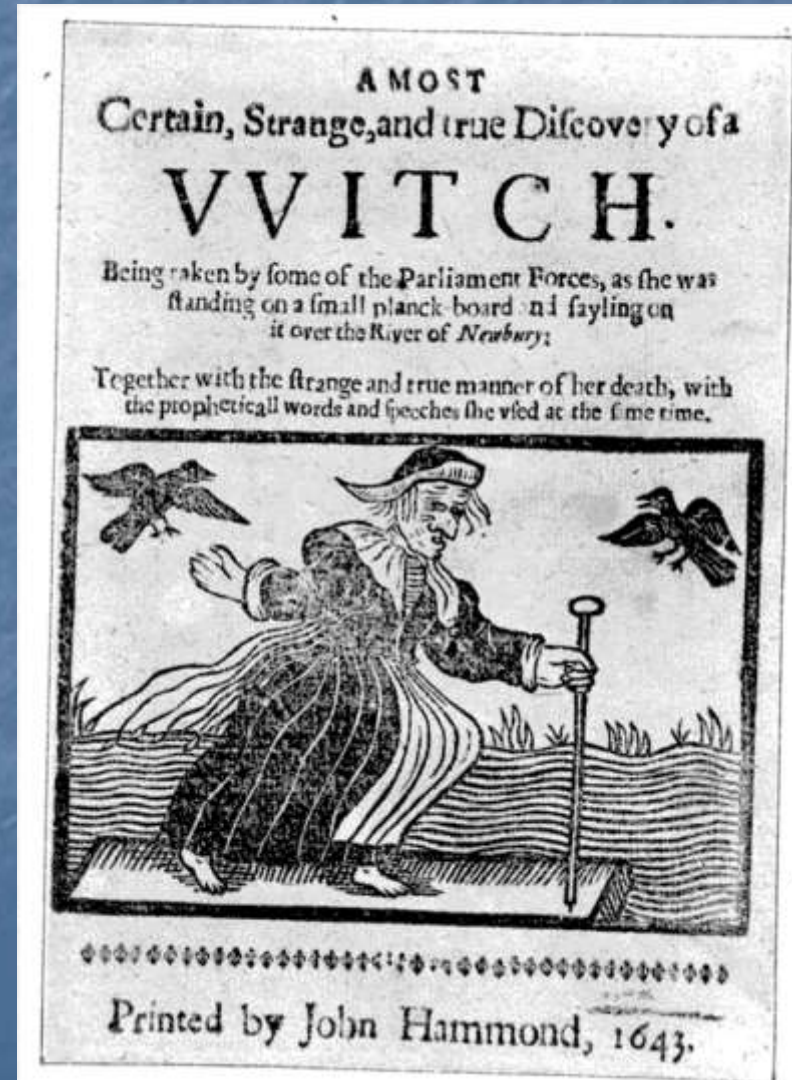
- Church vs. Paganism
 - High magic
 - Black magic



Who Were the Witches?

■ Witch-Hunts

- Early modern period
- 80% of victims
 - Women
 - Widows
 - Midwives
 - 16th century
 - Elderly
 - Widowed
 - Healers
 - Noblewomen
 - Not a target of
 - Witch-hunts











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MALLEVS MALEFICARVM, MALEFICAS ET EARVM

hærefim framcâ conterens,

EX VARIIS AVCTORIBVS COMPILATVS,
& in quatuor Tomos iustè distributus;

*PRIMUM DVO PRIORES PANAS DEMONVM
versutas, prestigiosas earum delusiones, superstitiosas Strigimagarum
ceremonias, horrendas etiam cum illis congressus, exallam denique
tam pestifera sella disquisitionem, & punitionem complectantur.
Tertius præxim Exorcistarum ad Dæmonum, & Strigimagarum male-
ficia de Christi fidelibus pellenda; Quartus verò Artem Dæmoniacam,
Benedictionalem, & Exorcismalem continet.*

TOMVS PRIMVS.

Indicis Aulicorum, capitulum, verumque non defuit.

*Edictio nouissima, inhiatit per se mendis expurgata, cuius accessu Fuga
Dæmonum & Complementum artis exorcisticæ.*

*Pro sua mulier, in quibus Pythoniens, vel diuinationis fuerit spiritus, morte miratur
Leuitici cap. 20.*



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Sumptibus CLAVDII BOYRGEAT, sub signo Mercurij Galli.

M. DC. LXIX.

CVM PRIVILEGIO REGIS.

■ *Malleus Maleficarum*

■ 1486

■ “Hammer of the Witches”

■ Heinrich Kramer

■ Jacob Sprenger

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ier, in quibus Pythonicus, vel diuinationis fuerit spiritus, morte
Leuitici cap. 10.



LEGEND.

End of the Witch-Hunts

- End of the Witch-Hunts
 - Scientific Revolution
 - Threatened
 - Social order

