**The Crucible**

**Act II Questions**

1. As Act II begins, there is palpable tension between John and Elizabeth Proctor. As Act II ends, we see the opposite. Discuss.
2. Reverend Hale not only questions Rebecca Nurse and the Proctors, but also stands idle as Elizabeth is taken away in chains. Explain why he is so complacent. Does he actually believe these people are guilty of consorting with the devil?
3. Explain what forces John Proctor’s involvement with the court and how this could jeopardize him and his family. How might this help him? What might this foreshadow?
4. Discuss the significance of the doll (poppet) Mary Warren gives to Elizabeth Proctor.
5. Describe how Arthur Miller conveys a Central Idea of the play through John Proctor's lines about "vengeance" in Act II. (See Pg. 77)
   1. You must clearly establish what the Central Idea is and use specific textual examples to support your ideas
   2. Hint: Consider Characterization
6. Marry Warren is in a tough position where her loyalty will be tested. What do you think she will do? Explain.
7. Discuss John Proctor’s closing lines of Act II. What is he suggesting? What might this foreshadow?