**Argument Essay: *The Crucible***

Directions: After having closely read *The Crucible*, write an argument on the topic below.

Topic: Did John Proctor make the best decision at the end of *The Crucible*?

Your Task: Carefully read the text. Then, using at least ***three*** pieces of evidence from the text, write a well-developed argument regarding whether or not John Proctor made the best decision at the end of *The Crucible.* Clearly establish your claim, distinguish your claim from alternate or opposing claims, and use specific relevant, and sufficient evidence to develop your argument. Do *not* simply summarize the text.

Guidelines:

* Establish your claim regarding whether or not John Proctor made the best decision at the end of *The Crucible*
* Distinguish your claim from alternate or opposing claims
* Use at least ***three*** specific, relevant, and sufficient pieces of evidence from the text to develop your argument
* Identify each piece of evidence by giving page number (Page 37)
* Organize your ideas in a cohesive and coherent manner
* Maintain a formal style of writing
* Follow the conventions of standard written English