

The Crucible

Anticipation/Reaction Guide

Part I Directions: Prior to reading *The Crucible*, in the "Before" column, respond to each statement by putting a plus sign (+) if you agree with it, a minus sign (-) if you disagree, and a question mark (?) if you are unsure of your belief.

Part II Directions: For one of the statements below, write a paragraph or more in MLA format as to why you have the belief you do.

Part III Directions: After reading the play, in the "After" column respond again to the statements. Then, reply by writing a paragraph response in MLA format to a statement where your belief changed since reading the play. If none of your responses have changed, write about a different statement than you responded to in Part II.

<i>Before</i>	Statement	<i>After</i>
1.____	Confessing to a crime you didn't commit in order to avoid punishment is wise.	1.____
2.____	The difference between right and wrong is clear.	2.____
3.____	It is better to die for what you believe in rather than to lie to save your life.	3.____
4.____	There is only one correct way to interpret the Bible.	4.____
5.____	That which doesn't destroy us only makes us stronger.	5.____
6.____	It's more difficult to forgive yourself if the person you have hurt doesn't forgive you.	6.____
7.____	Courage means doing something even though it can be difficult and fearsome.	7.____
8.____	A person is innocent until proven guilty.	8.____
9.____	Beliefs in opposition to common values should be illegal.	9.____
10.____	Justice is best determined in a court of law.	10.____