

# The Crucible—Major Grade

## 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 Deep Thoughts response of 500 words or more in MLA format as to why you have the belief you do.

**Part III Directions:** After reading the story, in the "After" column respond again to the statements. Then, reply by writing a 200 words or more Deep Thoughts response in MLA format to a statement where your belief changed since reading the play. If not, write about a different statement than you responded to in Part II. Once again, post your journal on our message board.

**Before**

**Statement**

**After**

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.\_\_\_\_