*The Crucible* Webquest Name: Date: Period:

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*Before you start, go to this website:* <http://nationalgeographic.com/salem/>

Write one full paragraph (at least six sentences) describing your experience. What did it feel like? What did you learn?

**A. Who is Arthur Miller?**

*Go to any reliable website (.edu, .gov, .org) to find the answers to these questions.*

1. What is Miller’s full name?

2. Where was he born?

3. When did he die?

4. Where did Miller attend college?

5. What did he study?

6. Name another play Miller wrote besides *The Crucible*.

7. Why was Miller brought before the House of Un-American Activities Committee?

8. Whom did Miller marry soon after he appeared before the HUAC?

9. What do Mary Slattery, Inge Morath, and Agnes Barley have in common?

**B.** **McCarthyism link**

Miller wrote *The Crucible* in the 1950’s, when something called McCarthyism was something of a modern-day witch hunt that affected Miller directly. Click on this link to McCarthyism and read up on it - <http://www.pbs.org/wnet/americanmasters/database/mccarthyism.html>

10. Who was Joseph McCarthy?

11. What was his public accusation?

12. If one was labeled as a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, which meant he/she was unable to continue working.

13. Name three artists mentioned in the article who were singled out as Communists.

a.

b.

c.

**C. Characters**

Who are some of the main characters in *The Crucible*? Click here to find out. <http://www.sparknotes.com/lit/crucible/characters.html>

14. *Describe the following characters*:

a. John Proctor

b. Elizabeth Proctor

c. Abigail Williams

d. Mary Warren

e. Rev. Parris

f. Rev. Hale

g. Tituba

**D. Salem Witch Museum website.** Click on “The Salem Witch Trials of 1692.”

Go to the Salem Witch Museum and read about the historical background of what happened:

<http://www.salemwitchmuseum.com/>

15. The daughter and niece of whom became sick in 1692?

16. 19 people were \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, one man was \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and seventeen others died

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ as a result of the witch trials.

17. What four factors “created a fertile ground for fear and suspicion” in the Massachusetts Bay Colony, according to the article?

a.

b.

c.

d.

18. A “belief in the power of the accused to use their invisible shapes or spectres to torture their victims” is known as what type of evidence?