***The Crucible*** Study Questions

Act II

1. What can you tell about the relationship between John and Elizabeth Proctor?
2. How do we learn what is happening in the town?
3. What do John and Elizabeth both know about the court proceedings?
4. What does John say keeps him from telling the court what he knows?

What might be the real reason?

1. How does Proctor treat Mary Warren?
2. Do you think Mary Warren believes that she and the other girls are bewitches?

Cite evidence to support your claim.

1. How does Mary save herself from a whipping?

Who does Elizabeth think accuse her of witchcraft?

1. Why does Elizabeth want John to go see Abigail?
2. What does “The promise that a stallion gives a mare I gave that girl” mean?
3. When Rev. Hale visits, what things seem to go against John and Elizabeth?
4. What important information does John tell Rev. Hale?
5. What are the Proctors’ feelings regarding the existence of witches in general?
6. With what crime has Rebecca Nurse been charged?

Why is this a kid of “final proof” that the town has gone mad?

1. What proof has been offered of Martha Corey’s witchcraft?
2. What connection is there between the poppet given to Elizabeth by Mary Warren and her arrest?
3. What demand does Proctor make of Mary Warren?