***The Crucible*** Study Questions

Act IV

1. How much time elapses between the end of Act III and Act IV?
2. Why do Sarah Good and Tituba talk about the devil so openly?

Do they really believe in what they are saying?

1. Why is Reverend Hale at the jail?
2. What request does Parris make of Danforth? Why?
3. What has happened to Abigail?

What is Parris’s chief concern?

1. Why is Parris anxious to postpone the death of Rebecca Nurse and John Proctor?
2. What does Danforth give as his reason for not being able to pardon those who refuse to confess?
3. Why is Elizabeth Proctor brought to see John?
4. How toes Elizabeth react to Hale and Danforth?

Why do you think she feels as she does?

1. How has Proctor changed?
2. What happened to Giles Corey?
3. What is John’s objection to being hanged?

Does he seem to fear losing his life?

1. What is Elizabeth’s advice?
2. At what points in his confession does Proctor falter?
3. What does Proctor mean by “What others say and what I sign is not the same!”