

The Crucible Project

DUE DATE: _____

TOTAL POINTS POSSIBLE: **100**

To show your understanding of the play, *The Crucible*, you will complete a project. I have devised a list of different options below that will demonstrate your knowledge and understanding of the play.

Directions: Choose one of the following options to complete. I expect you to go above and beyond to show what you know.

1. **DIORAMA-** You will pick a scene from the play and create a diorama. A diorama is a miniature scene in a box. With your created diorama, you will write a one-page explanation of the scene and characters in the scene and why you believe this to be an important scene in the play.
2. **FRONT PAGE OF THE SALEM TIMES-** You will be the editor of The Salem Times Newspaper. Write at least 3 news articles about what is happening in Salem. Include pictures, catchy headlines and use facts from the play. This may be created by hand or by computer, but must be legible, neatly completed and look like a newspaper.
3. **ILLUSTRATED TIMELINE-** You will create a timeline of at least 12 events. With that timeline you will illustrate at least six of the events. Be sure you read through the play and put the events in order.
4. **CAUSE & EFFECT MOBILE-** A mobile is something that hangs from the ceiling. You can use a coat hanger or come up with a frame for your ideas. Your mobile should address these questions: How does cause and effect play out in *The Crucible*? How can one person's actions change a chain of events? Be sure to add at least two illustrations (i.e. pictures of characters or arrows that show the cause and effect).
5. **ESSAY-** Write an essay that analyzes John Proctor as the tragic hero of the play. (3-5 pgs.)
6. **Letter-** Write a letter from Elizabeth Proctor to her husband, John, expressing her feelings and beliefs concerning his impending execution. Use what she has said to him in Act IV, as well as what you infer from her final words, to determine the contents of the letter. Study Elizabeth's lines in the play, and try to copy her style and manner of speech in your letter. Imagine that she is writing this letter to him in order to make peace with herself. At least one page in length.
7. **Soundtrack/CD Cover-** Create a soundtrack for the play. Pick at least 10-15 pieces of music, which fits this play (or even a specific character of the play). Be sure to be able to explain WHY that particular song fits whichever part of the play, or character you chose (that is, you need to have evidence from the play). Lyrics must be printed out and school appropriate. Create an artistic cover for the CD that represents the play. Do not use already created artwork.
8. **Collage-** Create a collage (a poster of various different objects, pictures, etc.), which depicts what you think to be the most important characters, objects, or events of the play. Include captions under your pictures and you will have time in class to present your poster orally. (Look in magazines for ideas of pictures, or create your own.)
9. **Movie poster and Cast of Characters-** Create a movie poster that you feel represents the play. Using modern day actors (YOU CANNOT USE THE ACTORS THAT ARE ALREADY IN THE CRUCIBLE MOVIE) you will come up with a cast of characters. You will write a paper that explains why you chose the actors to play the parts and why they would be a good fit for the part.