

## ***The Crucible: Cast of Characters***

**Reverend Parris**—Minister of Salem's church

**Betty Parris**—10 year old daughter of Reverend Parris

**Tituba**—Reverend Parris's slave from Barbados

**Abigail Williams**—Niece of Reverend Parris

**Susanna Walcott**—Friend of Abigail

**Mrs. Ann Putnam**—Resident of Salem; wife of Thomas Putnam

**Thomas Putnam**—A wealthy, influential resident of Salem; husband of Ann

**Mercy Lewis**—A servant of Thomas Putnam's household; friend of Abigail

**Mary Warren**—Friend of Abigail; servant to John and Elizabeth Proctor

**John Proctor**—Resident of Salem; protagonist of *The Crucible*

**Rebecca Nurse**—Respected resident of Salem

**Giles Corey**—An elderly resident of Salem

**Reverend John Hale**—A young reverend brought to Salem to help out with the witch trials; known to be an expert on witchcraft

**Elizabeth Proctor**—Resident of Salem; wife of John Proctor

**Francis Nurse**—A wealthy, influential man in Salem; husband to Rebecca Nurse

**Ezekiel Cheever**—Resident of Salem who acts as the clerk for the court

**Marshal Herrick**—The marshal of Salem

**Judge Hawthorne**—A judge who presides over the witch trials

**Deputy Governor Danforth**—The Deputy Governor of Massachusetts and the head judge at the witch trials

**Sarah Good**—A woman who has been accused of witchcraft and thrown in jail

**Hopkins**—A guard for the jailhouse

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Period: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Questions on pages 3-8(book) 2-10 (iBook), The Overture

Use pages 3-8 to answer these questions in COMPLETE SENTENCES.

1. What is the setting of the story (time, place, details, etc.)?
2. Describe what we know about Reverend Samuel Parris thus far. What does he believe about the behavior of the children?
3. Describe the Salem community. What was the town like? What did the people spend the majority of their time doing?
4. How did the Puritans of Salem feel about other religions and/or beliefs? Were they accepting of other religions and/or beliefs?
5. What kind of government ruled Salem? Who was in charge?
6. From these first few pages of the book, what can we begin to assume about John Proctor? How do you know this?
7. What things does Miller say fueled the Salem Witch Hunt?
8. According to Miller, why might a member of Salem Village accuse someone of being a witch?
9. What question about the "individual in society" is brought up in these pages?