

The Crucible
Anticipation & Reaction Activity

Name: _____ C: _____
Date: _____

Part I Directions: Prior to reading The Crucible, in the “Before” column, respond to each statement by putting a plus sign (+) if you agree with it, a minus sign (-) if you disagree, and a question mark (?) if you are unsure of your belief.

Before	STATEMENT	After
	Confessing to a crime you didn’t commit in order to avoid punishment is wise.	
	The difference between right and wrong is clear.	
	It is better to die for what you believe in rather than to lie to save your life.	
	There is only one correct way to interpret the Bible.	
	That which doesn’t destroy us only makes us stronger.	
	It’s more difficult to forgive yourself if the person you have hurt doesn’t forgive you.	
	Courage means doing something even though it can be difficult and fearsome.	
	A person is innocent until proven guilty.	
	Beliefs in opposition to common values should be illegal.	
	Justice is best determined in a court of law.	

Part 2 Directions: For one of the statements below, write a response of 500 words or more as to justify your belief on loose-leaf.

Part 3: After reading The Crucible, in the “After” column respond again to the statements. Then, reply on loose-leaf by writing a 500 words or more response in a statement where your belief changed since reading the play. If not, write about a different statement than you responded to in Part II.