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# *The Crucible*

## Anticipation Guide

Carefully read and consider each of the following statements. Then mark whether **you** agree or disagree with each statement.

Agree	Disagree	Statement
		1. Age does not matter in a relationship between a man and a woman.
		2. "All is fair in love and war."
		3. Adultery is acceptable in today's society.
		4. It is okay to lie or cheat as long as you don't get caught.
		5. Withholding the truth is the same thing as telling a lie.
		6. There are times in life when you should lie.
		7. Gossiping is a harmless and fun way to pass time.
		8. If the majority of people believe a statement is true, then it must be true.
		9. Life is worth holding on to at all cost.
		10. Those who condone evil by not protesting it are as guilty as those who commit it.
		11. Going to church helps to make you a good person.
		12. Most people have certain fundamental beliefs that they are not willing to compromise.

Now choose one of the above statements with which you strongly agree or disagree. Explain your feelings about this statement in a brief paragraph that you write in the space below.

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List five things for which people have been willing to die (think about history, current events, literature).

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

Is there any principle beyond love for family for which you would give your life? If so, what? Why? If not, explain why not.

The following list contains the personal offenses committed by the characters of *The Crucible*. Arrange the offenses according to your opinion of the most grievous being 1 to the least serious being 10.

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| Vengeance                        | Bearing false witness against another |
| Adultery                         | Greed for property                    |
| Blind conformity to mass thought | Cowardice                             |
| Abuse of power                   | Lying to protect another              |
| Lying to protect one's self      | Manipulating others through fear      |
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| 1. | 6.  |
| 2. | 7.  |
| 3. | 8.  |
| 4. | 9.  |
| 5. | 10. |

Explain why you chose to put a particular offense in the number 1 slot.

Explain why you chose to put a particular offense in the number 10 slot.