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***The Crucible* by Arthur Miller**
Test Act IV **/20**

1. Explain Miller's use of comic relief at the beginning of this Act: What happens? What is Miller's purpose in this scene?

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2. Danforth, Hathorne, and Cheever's conversation tells the audience about what changes in Salem in the months that have passed between Act III and IV?

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3. Explain Parris's comment: "Hale has returned to bring Rebecca Nurse to God." What is Hale's real purpose?

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4. What is Parris worried about?

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5. Why is it important for the court to get one of the accused "respectable citizens," such as John Proctor or Rebecca Nurse to confess?

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6. What news does Parris bring about Abigail and Mercy Lewis, and why does this news further disturb Danforth?

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7. Why is Reverend Hale tormented about his task now?

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8. About which three characters does Proctor ask Elizabeth? What information does he really want to know, and why?

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9. How would Proctor be saving his name, regardless of whether he confesses or not?

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10. What event makes Proctor recant his confession? What is the significance of this event?

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BONUS: Use one or two of the following words in any of your responses (please highlight them):

conciliatory - indictment - purged - penitence - beguile

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