

## "The Crucible" Quote Identifier

Directions: With a partner and using your book when necessary, indicate who said the following quotes and the significance of each statement.

Quote	Speaker (full name)	Significance (no less than 1 sentence)
Act I "Your name in the town - it is entirely white, is it not?"	Parris 10	
"They want slaves, not such as I. Let them send to Barbados for that. I will not black my face for any of them!"	Abigail 10	
"Thomas, Thomas, I pray you, leap not to witchcraft. I know that you - you least of all, Thomas, would ever wish so disastrous a charge laid upon me. We cannot leap to witchcraft. They will howl me out of Salem for such corruption in my house."	Parris 11	
"Gah! I'd almost forgot how strong you are, John Proctor!"	Abigail 14	
"Abby, I may think of you softly from time to time. But I will cut off my hand before I'll ever reach for you again. Wipe it out of mind. We never touched, Abby."	John 15	
"There is prodigious danger in the seeking of loose spirits."	Rebecca Nurse 17	
"It discomfits me! Last night - mark this - I tried and tried and could not say my prayers. And then she close her book and walks out of the house, and suddenly - mark this - I could pray again!"	Giles Corey 22	
"What victory would the Devil have to win a soul already bad? It is the best the Devil wants, and who is better than the minister?"	Hale 22	
Act II "John, if it were not Abigail that you must go to hurt, would you falter now? I think not."	Elizabeth 27	
"It's God's work we do...I'm - I am an official of the court."	Mary Warren	
"And thinks to kill me, then to take my place."	Elizabeth 30	
"He preach nothin' but golden candlesticks until he had them. I labor the earth from dawn of day to blink of night, and I tell you true, when I look to heaven and see my money glaring at his elbows - it hurt my prayer, sir, it hurt my prayer. I think, sometimes, the man dreams cathedrals, not clapboard meetin' houses."	John 32	
"If you think that I am one [a witch], then I say there are none."	Elizabeth 34	

"If Rebecca Nurse be tainted, then nothing's left to stop the whole green world from burning. Let you rest upon the justice of the court; the court will send her home, I know it."	Hale	34
"Man, remember, until an hour before the Devil fell, God thought him beautiful in Heaven."	Hale	34
"And he [Parris] goes to save her [Abigail], and, stuck two inches in the flesh of her belly, he draw a needle out. And demandin' of her how she come to be so stabbed, she - testify it were your wife's familiar spirit pushed it in."	Cheever	36
"Abby sat beside me when I made it [the poppet in court]."	Mary Warren	36
"Is the accuser always holy now? Were they born this morning as clean as God's fingers? I'll tell you what's walking Salem - vengeance is walking Salem."	John	36
"And do you know that near to four hundred are in the jails from Marblehead to Lynn, and upon my signature?")	Danforth	40
"Do you know, Mr. Proctor, that the entire contention of the state in these trials is that the voice of Heaven is speaking through the children?"	Danforth	41
"He's come to overthrow this court, Your Honor!"	Parris	41
"A person is either with this court or he must be counted against it, there be no road between."	Danforth	43
"We cannot blink it more. There is a prodigious fear of this court in the country."	Hale	44
"Then there is a prodigious guilt in the country...there is fear in the country because there is a moving plot to topple Christ in the country!"	Danforth	44
"We are here, Your Honor, precisely to discover what no one has ever seen."	Parris	46
"And yet, when people accused of witchery confronted you in court, you would faint, saying their spirits came out of their bodies and choked you"	Hathorne	47
"I have made a bell of my honor! I have rung the doom of my good name."	John	49
"Private vengeance is working through this testimony!"	Hale	50

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"A fire, a fire is burning! I hear the boot of Lucifer, I see his filthy face! And it is my face, and yours, Danforth! For them that quail to bring men out of ignorance, as I have quailed, and as you quail now when you know in all your black hearts that this be fraud - God damns our kind especially, and we will burn, we will burn together!"	Proctor	52	
"Oh, it be no Hell in Barbados. Devil, him be pleasureman in Barbados, him be singin' and dancin' in Barbados. It's you folks - you riles him up 'round here; it be too cold 'round here for that Old Boy. He freeze his soul in Massachusetts, but in Barbados he just and sweet."	Tituba	54	
"My niece, sir, my niece - I believe she has vanished....She told me she would stay a night with Mercy Lewis....Mercy told him [Mr. Lewis] she would sleep in my house for a night....I think they be aboard a ship... my strongbox is broke into.... Thirty-one pound is gone. I am penniless."	Parris	55	
"Mr. Parris, you are a brainless man!"	Danforth	55	
"Andover have thrown out the court, they say, and will have no part of witchcraft. There be a faction here, feeding on that news, and I tell you true, sir, I fear there will be riot here...these people [the accused witches] have great weight yet in the town....Excellency, I would postpone these hangin's for a time."	Parris	56	
"Now Mr. Hale's returned, there is hope, I think - for if he bring even one of these to God, that confession surely damns the others in the public eye, and none may doubt more that they are all linked to Hell."	Parris	56	
"Tonight, when I open my door to leave my house - a dagger clattered to the ground....There is danger for me."	Parris	56	
"Postponement now speaks a floundering on my part; reprieve or pardon must cast doubt upon the guilt of them that died till now. While I speak God's law, I will not crack its voice with whimpering. If retaliation is your fear, know this - I should hang ten thousand that dared to rise against the law."	Danforth	57	
"Excellency, there are orphans wandering from house to house; abandoned cattle bellow on the highroads, the stink of rotting crops hangs everywhere, and no man knows when the harlot's cry will end his life - and you wonder yet if rebellion's spoke?"	Hale	57	
"For if he [Proctor] is taken I count myself his murderer."	Hale	57	

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"He were not hanged. He would not answer aye or nay to his indictment; for if he denied the charge they'd hang him surely, and auction out his property. So he stand mute, and died Christian under the law. And so his sons will have his farm."	Elizabeth 59	
"John, it come to naught that I should forgive you, if you'll not forgive yourself."	Elizabeth 59	
"I speak my own sins; I cannot judge another. I have no tongue for it."	Proctor 61	
"Because it is my name! Because I cannot have another in my life! Because I lie and sign myself to lies! Because I am not worth the dust on the feet of them that hang! How may I live without my name? I have given you my soul; leave my name!"	John 62	
"He [Proctor] have his goodness now. God forbid I take it from him!"	Elizabeth 63	