

### ***The Crucible – Act Two – Study Guide***

1. What is the setting for Act Two?
2. Why is there tension between John and Elizabeth Proctor at the beginning of the act?
3. Elizabeth knows that John saw Abigail while he was in town. What she doesn't know (until this scene) is that he saw her \_\_\_\_\_ and not \_\_\_\_\_ as he had originally claimed.
4. To whom does John Proctor say, "Your justice would freeze beer!" Why?
5. What gift does Mary Warren bring to Elizabeth?
6. Which of the accused women does Mary Warren reveal will be hanged?
7. Which of the accused women does Mary Warren reveal is pregnant?
8. Why does Reverend Hale visit the Proctor home?
9. What three facts about John Proctor serve as potential strikes against the "Christian character" of his home?
10. Which commandment does John Proctor forget? Why is this funny/ironic/sad?
11. Do John and Elizabeth Proctor believe in witches?
12. Why is Rebecca Nurse arrested?
13. Why is Martha Corey arrested?
14. Why is Elizabeth Proctor arrested?
15. Whom does John Proctor call "Pontius Pilate"? Why?
16. In Act Two, Scene Two, what do we learn about Abigail's mental state?