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The Crucible

Important Characters: Write 2-3 details for each character as you watch. Who are they? Who are they related to? What is their role in town?

	John Proctor	
	Elizabeth Proctor	(f: Abigail) "It's a bitter woman, a lying, cold, sniveling woman..."
	Reverend Parris	"He believed he was being persecuted wherever he went, despite his best efforts to win people and God to his side."
	Revered John Hale	
	Tituba	
	Judge Hawthorne	
	Abigail	"My name is good in the village! I will not have it said my name is soiled!"

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Watching the play:

1. What do you notice about the setting? What can this tell us about the type of people in the town?
2. What did John Proctor do with Abigail? What happened to her because of this?
3. Who does Abigail blame of witchcraft in order to save herself? Why would this person be an easy person to blame in Salem?
4. The text says Reverend Parris "regarded them (the kids) as young adults, and until this strange crisis he, like the rest of Salem, never conceived that the children were anything but thankful for being permitted to walk straight, eyes slightly lowered, arms at the sides, and mouths shut until bidden to speak." **How do you think this might play into the hysteria that takes place in Salem?**
5. Why does Abigail accuse Elizabeth Proctor?
6. Do you think the girls accusing others of being witches gives them power in town? Why or why not?
7. According to this quote, why did the witch hunt get so out of hand? "Land-lust, which had been expressed by constant bickering over boundaries and deeds, could now be elevated to the arena of morality; one could cry witch against one's neighbor and feel perfectly justified in the bargain."
8. What does this quote say about what is important to John Proctor and how does it ultimately influence the decision that he makes?
"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 me my name!"