# THE CRUCIBLE INTRODUCTORY WEBQUEST

Google "Crucible Webquest" – It should be the first one that pops up. Click the section on the left side and answer these questions:

#### The Salem Witch Trials

Use these websites to find your answers for this section. If you can't find an answer, keep reading. It's called <u>research</u>, not find the answers quickly. **Please identify which website you used for each question.** 

- http://www.eyewitnesstohistory.com/salem.htm
- http://www.nationalgeographic.com/salem/
- http://law2.umkc.edu/faculty/projects/ftrials/salem/ASAL\_CH.HTM
- http://law2.umkc.edu/faculty/projects/ftrials/salem/ASAL\_WA.HTM
- http://www.cavalierdaily.com/2010/11/12/modern-day-witch-hunts/

#### Questions:

- 1. What were some beliefs about witchcraft and witches people held in the past?
- 2. What were the Salem witchcraft trials?
- 3. What are some possible explanations (at least 2) for the Salem witchcraft trials?
- 4. What options did an accused witch have in Salem?
- 5. How quickly did things get out of hand in Salem?
- 6. How long did the Salem witchcraft trials go on for?
- 7. What sort of evidence was used to arrest accused witches?
- 8. Do "witch hunts" still happen? If so, can you think of anything that has happened in this country that would be considered a "witch hunt"?

### **Arthur Miller**

Use these websites to find your answers for this section. If you can't find an answer, keep reading. It's called <u>research</u>, not find the answers quickly. **Please identify which website you used for each question.** 

- http://www.kirjasto.sci.fi/amiller.htm
- http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Arthur Miller
- http://www.ibiblio.org/miller/life.html

### Questions:

- 1. Where and when was Arthur Miller born?
- 2. What award did The Crucible win?
- 3. Name the famous actress to whom he was married.
- 4. What were Miller's political beliefs (include his communist connections)?

## **McCarthyism**

Use these websites to find your answers for this section. If you can't find an answer, keep reading. It's called <u>research</u>, not find the answers quickly. **Please identify which website you used for each question.** 

- o <a href="http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/McCarthyism">http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/McCarthyism</a>
- o <a href="http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Joseph McCarthy">http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Joseph McCarthy</a>
- http://www.spartacus.schoolnet.co.uk/USAmccarthyism.htm
- http://history.howstuffworks.com/american-history/mccarthyism.htm
- http://www.bookrags.com/research/mccarthyism-aaw-04/

### Questions:

- 1. Provide a short definition of Communism. Describe America's attitude toward communists and Communism during the late 1940's and early 1950's.
- 2. Who was the President of the United States during this time?
- 3. What is containment? What is the domino theory?
- 4. What speech did he make, and how did it kick of the Red Scare?
- 5. What is HUAC? Describe its mission under McCarthy.
- 6. Who were the Hollywood Ten, and what happened to them?
- 7. When such people as Larry Parker and Roy Huggins "named names," what happened to the people they named? If you were "named" and refused to talk, what happened?
- 8. Who were McCarthy's "helpers" on HUAC? What was their role?