The Crucible Newspaper Project

<u>Focus</u>: Fiction & Nonfiction Elements (use 4-5 internal features)

{<u>SOLs</u>: 11.4C,E-F,H-I; 11.5A}

DUE DATE: November 24, 2020

<u>Directions</u>: For the final project for *The Crucible*, you and your partner (or group) are going to create a newspaper that is representative of the time period in which the story took place (Salem, Massachusetts in 1692).

Your paper needs to incorporate several of the same types of areas that are indicative of today's newspapers; thus, I recommend that you and your partner(s) examine a newspaper as an example for your own creation. The paper needs to incorporate the following areas and be no less than 2 pages in length; this can be double-sided with page one being on the front and page two being on the back.

- *Title for your newspaper {Be creative!}
- *Headline News {this is your feature article}
- *Sub-Headline News Items (not the main feature article) (need to have a minimum of two of these)
- *Picture(s) to supplement the stories {complete with captions under the picture(s)}
- *Layout details that are associated with a newspaper (boldfaced font, italicized font, date, column format)

To discern which information to include, consider the MAJOR events that occurred in the story and determine which event you & your partner(s) feel warrants the feature story. Once you have determined this, write the story from the 3rd person perspective as a reporter who is <u>not</u> involved in the action of the story; you are merely relaying the events as they unfolded in the story (the people involved, the setting, the conflict, & the progress of story).

Because this occurred during the Early American Literary time period (time of the Puritans), your paper should be black and white in font color; you can use different types of fonts to reflect the time period to supplement the authenticity of your project. You can also "age" the paper if you desire to further showcase the authenticity of your paper; you can do this by using an "aged" looking paper background.

BONUS: If you desire, you can also include the weather for the day or week, advertisements, a horoscope, an obituary, or a comic strip; JUST MAKE SURE THE INFORMATION PRESENTED IS REFLECTIVE OF THE TIME PERIOD.

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS:

**Please submit a complete typed copy of your final paper that is free of errors (both mechanical & structural); CHECK OVER THIS SEVERAL TIMES BEFORE SUBMITTING.

**Names should go on the back of the paper at the bottom with a notation of "Editors" in a box; this is where you can list who was responsible for each area of reporting.

Project Worth: This project is worth 100 points with individual grades being awarded based upon the number and intensity of the jobs taken on and completed. When you submit the final newspaper, you also need to ensure that the Editor Box indicates who was responsible for which portion of the project as well as whether or not he/she completed the task.

DO NOT WAIT UNTIL THE LAST MINUTE; THIS SHOULD BE A RELATIVELY EASY PROJECT IF EACH MEMBER DOES HIS/HER PART AND COMPLETES IT TO THE BEST OF HIS/HER ABILITY.

