

# Journal Prompts for The Crucible

1. Read the poem “Conversations with an American Writer” on page 162 in “The Crucible” Rewrite the poem replacing the word (and the theme) “courage” with another word to describe you.
2. Abigail was a strong, domineering influence on Mary Warren. When did the power or control of someone else influence you?
3. Recall a time when you were wrongly accused of something, or of a time when you wrongly accused someone of something. What was it and how did you feel?
4. Abigail took revenge for Proctor’s dismissal of her. Describe a time when you sought revenge or someone sought revenge on you.
5. Stream of consciousness writing: Pick a theme from “The Crucible” (guilt, faith, honor, etc). Just start writing and do not stop for several minutes or until you have filled up at least one page. Do not worry about punctuation, grammar, etc. Just don’t let your pen stop moving.
6. Describe a time when you have felt isolated.
7. What do you feel remorse for?
8. Read “How to Spot a Witch” pg. 179 in “The Crucible” book. Write a paper similar to this essay on how to spot a \_\_\_\_\_. You fill in the blank. EX: How to Spot a Liar. How to Spot a Surfer. Etc.