

The Crucible Essay 
(100 Points | Writing Assessment Category)

? *Essential Questions (EQs):* To what extent do power and social dynamics impact a community? To what extent do herd mentality and vengeance impact a community? What are the dangers of groupthink?

👉 *Directions:* You will be writing a five paragraph essay addressing the essential question (s), using claims and direct evidence from Arthur Miller's *The Crucible*, Tina Fey's *Mean Girls*, and an original example of the dangers of groupthink/ herd mentality.

🔧 *Structure:*

▲ Para. 1 | Introduction

Hook + Connector

Thesis (all titles, author, director) Correctly Punctuated!!!

S of O's | Main Claims (preview the paper)👁👁

▲ Para. 2 | Answers your thesis from *The Crucible*

TS/ Main Claim *proves thesis (No plot)*

T + Minor Claim 1 *proves TS/ Main Claim (No plot, keep it general)*

EV (*Integrated direct quote with parenthetical citation*)

AN

T + Minor Claim 2 (No plot, keep it general)

EV

AN

T + Minor Claim 3 (No plot, keep it general)

EV

AN

T to next paragraph

(2-3 Chunks)

▲ Para. 3 | Answers your thesis from *Mean Girls*

Same structure | CL, EV, AN

2-3 Chunks

▲ Para. 4 | Answers your thesis about group think/ herd mentality (Original Example)

Same structure (Do not just provide a summary of the event) | CL, EV ,AN

*Outside research | Needs parenthetical citations!

2-3 Chunks

▲ Para. 5 | Conclusion

Restate Thesis

Summarize Main Claims

So what? What is the Impact on the world today?🌍

▲ MLA Works Cited

The last page of your document (continue w/ pagination) | Use google docs for citations + Works Cited

<https://support.google.com/docs/answer/10090962?hl=en&co=GENIE.Platform%3DDesktop>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oe3s2lfgG-0>

🔥 Remember

1. Each quote is to be integrated (blended sentence) with parenthetical citation (Bradbury 15). Use brackets when necessary. []
2. Each quote is analyzed. Your analysis answers the question, WHY? Or So What? Why does this quote prove the thesis?
3. Verb Tense/Pronouns: Always use present tense. Third person only (even in quotes.)
4. MLA format is required (creative title)