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Social Lit.—Silver *The Crucible*

**Socratic Seminar Questions**

**Directions**: Begin to write some thoughts on each of these questions. You may want to look back at your notes on the play to pull in direct examples. Keep in mind: you will be graded on your participation in tomorrow’s class discussion about these questions.

**Questions on Morality:**

1. Plain and simple, does John do the right thing at the end of the play? Explain your thoughts.
2. Who is more to blame for a marriage falling apart—the cold wife at home, the husband who looks for another, or the other female he finds?
3. Can the girls ever be redeemed for what they have done? Is youth and ignorance an excuse for the decisions we make?
4. At the end, Hale tries to convince Elizabeth that it is simply vain and pointless not to lie and confess in a time like this. Is Hale right? Were those who *did* confess to save their lives smarter than those who died for righteousness? If you were in that situation, what would you do?