

The Crucible WebQuest

www.immaculateheartacademy.org/Outside2/.../Crucible_WebQuest.htm

Your Assignment: *In pairs, you are to follow the directions for the topic assigned and answer the questions that follow. Each person in the group must complete all of the questions. Respond in complete sentences.*

Once your research is complete, you will split up and present your finding to members of different groups.

Group #1-The Puritans

Puritans

<http://www3.nd.edu/~rbarger/www7/puritans.html>

Sermon Outlining Puritan Character

<http://www.apuritansmind.com/the-puritan-era/puritan-roots-a-brief-sketch-of-the-values-of-puritanism-by-dr-c-matthew-mcmahon/>

1st 30 of Jonathan Edward's (Puritan) Resolutions

<http://www.apuritansmind.com/the-christian-walk/jonathan-edwards-resolutions/>

Puritans at Play

<http://www.sec.state.ma.us/mhc/mhcexh/musprv/nend/purplay/playidx.htm>

Questions to Answer:

Who were the Puritans?

What distinguished their faith from others of their time period?

Why did they cross the Atlantic Ocean?

What were their goals?

Give several examples of typical Puritan beliefs.

In particular, how did Puritans feel about the Sabbath day?

What were the focal points of Puritan life?

What sort activities were and were not acceptable to the Puritans as recreation?

How tolerant were the Puritans of those who differed from their norms?

Group #2- The Salem Witch Trials

The Salem Witch Trials

<http://www.eyewitnesstohistory.com/salem.htm>

Virtual Salem Witch Trials

http://education.nationalgeographic.com/education/media/salem-witch-trials-interactive/?ar_a=1

Timeline of Witch Trials

http://law2.umkc.edu/faculty/projects/ftrials/salem/ASAL_CH.HTM

Witch Trials Arrest Warrant

http://law2.umkc.edu/faculty/projects/ftrials/salem/ASAL_WA.HTM

Opinion Piece on Witch Trials

<http://www.cavalierdaily.com/article/2010/11/modern-day-witch-hunts/>

Questions to Answer:

What were some beliefs about witchcraft and witches people held in the past?
What were the Salem witchcraft trials?
What are some possible explanations for the Salem witchcraft trials?
What options did an accused witch have in Salem?
How quickly did things get out of hand in Salem?
How long did the Salem witchcraft trials go on for?
What sort of evidence was used to arrest accused witches?
Do "witch hunts" still happen?
Can you think of anything else that has happened in this country that would also be considered a "witch hunt"?

Group #3- Arthur Miller

Biography- <http://www.biography.com/people/arthur-miller-9408335>

Timeline of Arthur Miller's Life- <http://www.ibiblio.org/miller/life.html>

Interview with Arthur Miller (stop at the part about fathers and sons)
<http://www.neh.gov/about/awards/jefferson-lecture/arthur-miller-interview>

Questions to Answer:

What major historical event shaped Arthur Miller's childhood?
What happened when Miller was called before the House Un-American Activities Committee?
What sort of awards did Miller receive?
Describe the common themes of Miller's writings (pay particular attention to any references to *The Crucible*).
How would you categorize Arthur Miller's political views?
How do you think Miller viewed the function of drama?

Group #4 -Red Scare and McCarthyism

<http://www.history.com/topics/cold-war/red-scare>

Joseph McCarthy

<http://www.history.com/topics/cold-war/joseph-mccarthy>

Congressional Committee Used to Carry out McCarthyism

<http://www.writing.upenn.edu/~afilreis/50s/congcomms.html>

Blacklisting

<http://www.writing.upenn.edu/~afilreis/50s/schrecker-blacklist.html>

Questions to Answer:

What was McCarthyism, or The Second Red Scare?
Who was the target of this movement?
Who was Joseph McCarthy?
Why do you think McCarthy began persecuting Communists?
What eventually became of Joseph McCarthy?
How was the persecution of McCarthyism carried out?
What happened to people who were Blacklisted by the HUAC?

What options did people called before the HUAC have?
What were the consequences of each course of action?