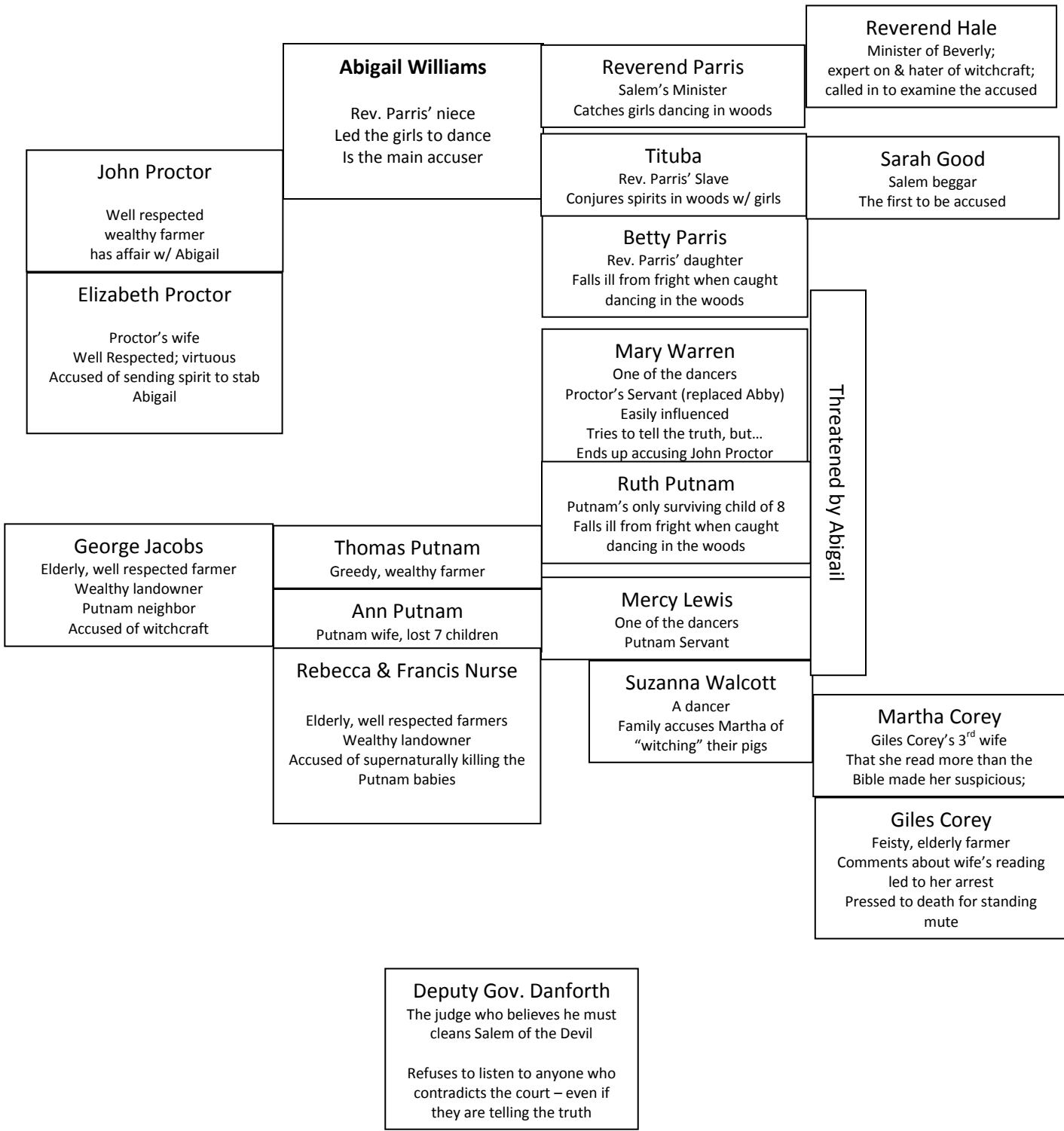












The Crucible Character Map



***THE CRUCIBLE* CHARACTER ANALYSIS**

CHARACTER	DESCRIPTION OF CHARACTER	MOTIVATION FOR ACTIONS	PERSONALITY TRAITS
Abigail Williams 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 17-year-old niece of Rev. Parris • had an affair with John Proctor 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to protect herself • her desire to have John Proctor all to herself • witnessing her parents' murder 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • good at deceiving others • violent • untrustworthy • leader • vengeful
Betty Parris 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10-year-old daughter of Rev. Parris 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • scared to get in trouble 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • scared
Reverend Parris 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Salem's minister; disliked by many people in the town 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the fact that he has many enemies who want him gone from Salem • doesn't want people to find out the truth about what happened in the woods • wants to persecute his enemies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • defensive • self-absorbed • nervous • paranoid
Ann Putnam 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • mother of Ruth and seven babies who died at birth 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • depression from losing seven children • desire for revenge for the death of her children 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • paranoid • crazy • depressed
Mary Warren	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the Proctors' current servant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • her fear of Mr. Proctor • her fear of Abigail and the other girls 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • submissive and inferior • unreliable • naïve • lonely

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Thomas Putnam 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • father of Ruth • richest man in the village who can afford to buy any land forfeited by a “witch” 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • accused others as a way to gain their land • wants to persecute his enemies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • well-to-do, hard-handed landowner • used to getting his way • vindictive
Tituba 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rev. Parris’s slave from Barbados 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • she knows she can never win because of who she is • she’s smart enough to know how to save herself 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • intimidated by authority • smart
John Proctor 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • husband to Elizabeth; had an affair with Abigail 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • doesn’t want his secret to come out • his dignity • his desire to do what is right 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • cautious • reasonable • dignified
Elizabeth Proctor 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • wife of John Proctor 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • her faith in God • to preserve her dignity • to protect her husband 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • practical • tenderhearted • reasonable • honest
Giles Corey	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 83-year-old man who provides comic relief in the play 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to feel/look/sound important • to protect the innocent 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • sharp • clever • inquisitive • physically strong

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Reverend Hale 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • an expert on witchcraft • comes to Salem to investigate possible witchcraft 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • his experience and knowledge • his faith in the court • his conscience telling his what's the real truth 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • quick to come to conclusions • doesn't consider all the facts • practical • good-intentioned
Danforth 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the deputy governor of the province • leads the witchcraft trials 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • maintain the court's authority 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • authoritative • powerful • intimidating
Rebecca Nurse	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 72-year-old woman from Salem 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • her faith and her wisdom 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • highly respected • wise • gentle • fair • logical
Mercy Lewis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 17-year-old girl • the Putnams' servant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to protect herself and Abigail 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • sly • merciless
Marshal Herrick	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • an authority of the court 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • his duty to the court • his guilty conscience 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • dutiful • guilty conscience

USE EACH CHARACTER'S NAME ONLY ONCE TO COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:

List the characters from the chart who were in the woods: **Abigail Williams, Betty Parris, Tituba, Mary Warren, Mercy Lewis**

Divide the characters from the chart into the following two groups. Place a star by any character who later switches to the other belie

THOSE WHO BELIEVE WITCHCRAFT IS TO BLAME

Reverend Parris

Ann Putnam

Thomas Putnam

Reverend Hale*

Danforth

Marshal Herrick*

THOSE WHO BELIEVE THE GIRLS ARE LYING

John Proctor

Rebecca Nurse

Elizabeth Proctor

Giles Corey

List the characters from the chart who are dead by then end of the play: **John Proctor, Giles Corey, Rebecca Nurse**