

**Humanities Out There Lesson 5: Mock Trial**

My group's character is: *the Witness & Defendant, Hester Prynne.*

**Anticipate Accusations by Hester's Prosecution**

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- 2. \_\_\_\_\_  
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**SWEARING TO TELL THE WHOLE TRUTH**

I do, your honor.

**TESTIMONY I**

*You will be asked to tell the court your whereabouts on the night of November 15, 1641. This is the night you committed adultery. You could tell the truth and explain why you are still not guilty of adultery. Alternately you could provide a false alibi, but remember you do have baby Pearl! Aim for 5-7 sentences.*

**Brainstorm Alibis or Explanations in Hester's Defense**

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- 4. \_\_\_\_\_  
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- 5. \_\_\_\_\_  
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**TESTIMONY II**

*You will be asked to describe your marriage with Mr. Chillingworth (a.k.a. Mr. Prynne) and your reaction to his apparent death. Emphasize details that make you seem like a good wife.*

*SALEM v. H. PRYNNE*

**PROSECUTOR: R. CHILLINGSWORTH**

**OPENING STATEMENT**

**DEFENSE ATTORNEY: A. DIMMESDALE**

**OPENING STATEMENT**

**WITNESS: H. PRYNNE**

**TESTIMONY**

**SURPRISE WITNESS: \_\_\_\_\_**

**TESTIMONY**

**VERDICT AND JUSTIFICATION:**

*MASSACHUSETTS v. N. HAWTHORNE*

**PROSECUTOR: REV. A.C. COXE**

**OPENING STATEMENT**

**DEFENSE ATTORNEY: R.W. EMERSON**

**OPENING STATEMENT**

**WITNESS: N. HAWTHORNE**

**TESTIMONY**

**SURPRISE WITNESS: \_\_\_\_\_**

**TESTIMONY**

**VERDICT AND JUSTIFICATION:**

*MAGDALENA v. HERMAN*

**PROSECUTOR: MAGDALENA'S DAD**

**OPENING STATEMENT**

**DEFENSE ATTORNEY: HERMAN'S MOM**

**OPENING STATEMENT**

**WITNESS: HERMAN**

**TESTIMONY**

**SURPRISE WITNESS: \_\_\_\_\_**

**TESTIMONY**

**VERDICT AND JUSTIFICATION:**