

Humanities Out There Lesson 5: Mock Trial

My group's character is: *the Prosecuting Attorney, Reverend Arthur Cleveland Coxe.*

Brainstorm Arguments Against Hawthorne

- 1. _____

- 2. _____

- 3. _____

Anticipate Counter-Arguments by Hawthorne's Defense

- 4. _____

- 5. _____

WITNESS: NATHANIEL HAWTHORNE

- I) The prosecution calls Nathaniel Hawthorne to the witness stand.
- II) Mr. Hawthorne, why did you write *The Scarlet Letter* ?

SURPRISE WITNESS: JOHN HATHORNE (shhhh!)

- I) The prosecution calls John Hathorne to the witness stand.
- II) Mr. Hathorne, what is your opinion of your great great great great great grandson's book, titled *The Scarlet Letter*?

OPENING STATEMENT

Begin with a one sentence accusation. Then choose the strongest argument above and present it in two or three sentences.

CLOSING STATEMENT

Summarize with one sentence including "because."

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: