

Humanities Out There Lesson 5: Mock Trial

My group's character is: *the Prosecuting Attorney, Magdalena's Father.*

Brainstorm Arguments Against Herman

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

OPENING STATEMENT

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

Anticipate Counter-Arguments by Herman's Defense

4. _____

5. _____

WITNESS: HERMAN

- I) The prosecution calls Herman to the witness stand.
- II) Mr. Herman, why did you abandon responsibility for your unborn child??

SURPRISE WITNESS: CINDYANN WOOD (shhhh!)

- I) The prosecution calls Cindyann Wood to the witness stand.
- II) Ms. Wood, do you feel it is appropriate to allow movies about teenagers having sex to be shown in your classroom?

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: