

# WV TREE Resource: English Language Arts

Resource Name: Crucible and Red Scare Logic

Grade Level(s):  5<sup>th</sup> Grade  6<sup>th</sup> Grade  7<sup>th</sup> Grade  8<sup>th</sup> Grade  9<sup>th</sup> Grade  
 10<sup>th</sup> Grade  11<sup>th</sup> Grade  12<sup>th</sup> Grade

Resource Summary/Overview: This resource uses actual primary sources on identifying communists and witches so students can see the parallels between the Red Scare of Arthur Miller's time and the Salem Witch trials in which he presented in "The Crucible."

Length: 1-2 45 minute class periods

Domain(s) Addressed:  Reading  Writing  Speaking/Listening  Language

West Virginia College- and Career-Readiness Standards:

ELA.11.3 Analyze the impact of the author's choices regarding how to develop or relate elements of a story or drama

ELA.11.20 Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.

Delivery Method(s):  Direct Instruction  Whole Group  Pairs  
 Small Group  Computer-based  Individual  
 Other (explain): [Click here to enter text.](#)

Resource Materials:  Text(s)  Handouts  Media  Rubric  
 Other (explain): [Click here to enter text.](#)

Resource Purpose(s):  Engage/Activate  Introduce Topic/Skill  Review Topic/Skill  
 Formative Assessment  Summative Assessment  
 Reinforce Skill  Enrichment  Intervention/Support  
 Other (explain): [Click here to enter text.](#)

Instructor Notes: This supplemental material enhances student interest in Miller's "The Crucible" and shows the connections between the world that Miller was really writing about and the world that he portrays in the play.