**The Crucible Vocabulary**

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| **Abomination (n)** | An action considered to be vile or disgusting. |
| **Befuddle (v)** | To confuse or disorient |
| **Beguile (v)** | To charm or enchant, sometimes in a deceptive way. |
| **Conjure (v)** | To make (something) appear unexpectedly or seemingly from nowhere as if by magic |
| **Daft (adj)** | Slow-witted, silly or foolish |
| **Licentious (adj)** | Promiscuous and unprincipled in sexual matters |
| **Naught (n)** | Nothing (archaic) |
| **Probity (n)** | The quality of having strong moral principles; honesty and decency. |
| **Prodigious (adj)** | great in size, force, extent, or degree |
| **Reprieve (v / n)** | Cancellation or postponement of a punishment. |
| **Scapegoat (n)** | Someone or something that is blamed for the wrongdoings, mistakes, or faults of others, especially for reasons of expediency. |
| **Trepidation (n)** | A feeling of fear or agitation about something that may happen |
| **Quail (v)** | To draw back in fear; lose heart or courage; cower. |
| **Stench (n)** |  A distinctive odor that is offensively unpleasant |
| **Reproach (n/v)** | The expression of disapproval or disappointment. |
| **Vindictive (adj)** | Having or showing a strong or unreasoning desire for revenge. |
| **Inert (adj)** | Lacking the ability or strength to move. |
| **Wily (adj)** | Skilled at gaining an advantage, especially deceitfully. |
| **Smirched (v)** | Make (something) dirty; soil |
| **Trafficked (v)** | To do something illegally. “*You will never believe I hope, that Rebecca****trafficked****with the Devil.”* |
| **\*Lechery (n)** |  Excessive or offensive sexual desire; lustfulness. |
| **Calumny (n)** | The making of false and defamatory statements in order to damage someone's reputation; slander. |

\*Replaces imitations on previous copy.