 Resource 8

Character motivations

| Character | Explicit motivation (with supporting evidence) | Implicit motivation (with supporting evidence) | Contradictions/Paradoxes (with supporting evidence) |
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| Proctor | To save his wife, “Why, I - I would free my wife, sir.” | To discredit the court, “There might also be a dragon with five legs in my house, but no one has ever seen it.” | Does not want to sully his name, but is forced to, “A man will not cast away his good name” |
| Parris |       |       |       |
| Danforth |       |       |       |
| Hale |       |       |       |
| Mary |       |       |       |
| Elizabeth |       |       |       |
| Abigail |       |       |       |