<u>11 VCE English, 2021, Unit 2: Reading & Comparing: The Crucible vs Year of Wonders (YoW) Week 5, Monday – August 9</u>

Howdy all,

PLEASE – if you have ANY questions, or would like me to give you a phone call, even just to answer **one question** – please do so! If your school email isn't working – find another way of contacting me...

(Just be aware I will have to call a parent/guardian's phone first.)

I have provided some **videos** from Lisa's Study Guides as well which should provide some different ways of receiving the information.

If lockdown is extended and we're not back by next Monday, then I will make some videos of myself, including going through the questions with answers, and will check to see if there's any possibility of having a morning 'check-in' live video session (although I can't make any promises).

Best of luck all – stay in touch with any concerns or questions. Jake.

1. Pre-existing homework from last week:

Please finish all work for The Crucible first:

- a) finish watching & reading the last Act; and
- b) answer the 10 questions as best as you can; and
- c) read and annotate the handout "The Crucible Quotes"

Don't forget to read each "Act Analysis" I have provided for each Act (the scanned photocopies I have stapled in between each of the sets of Questions in the handout I gave you last week) – reading these is **how you will learn to understand the text on a deeper level.**

I have also uploaded MY ANSWERS for Act 4...

2. Download 'Jake's Answers' for Act 4, and check them against your own. Add any extra notes if you need to.

YEAR OF WONDERS

- If you have not finished reading the book, you will need to quickly familiarise yourself with it. There are two ways:
 - A) Read Chapter Summaries (google "Year of Wonders Chapter Summaries")

OR:

B) The following video/s are of a Class 12 student explaining/retelling everything that happens in the book. This may take you an hour to listen to all the videos (depends where you are up to in the book) – but if you haven't read/finished the text – **then this is a very good idea**:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R88P9uYyx7A

3. Read the following document "Comparing Contexts.pdf"

you will need to EITHER take some 'dot-point notes' to summarise your learning, OR print it out and highlight and annotate key points worth remembering (if you have a printer).

You are looking for:

- > What are the meaningful connections?
- > In what ways are the **contexts** of each text similar?
- > In what meaningful ways are they different?
- 4. Textual Features Video:

Please watch the following video from Lisa's Study Guides. Lisa is an ex-VCE Student who got an extremely high exam/Atar result, and who now makes student-friendly guides and videos to help VCE English students. Fortunately, she has made resources and videos for The Crucible and Year of Wonders!

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lpoiMTIKL-M

She waffles at the start for a bit. The actual analysis starts at 2.30. She **compares** the different ways the two texts **convey meaning** – e.g. the different textual features (she may call them "meta-language" or "literary techniques" or "narrative" or "structure" – they are all examples of textual features.

Don't worry if all of this info doesn't immediately "sink-in" – it's simply a way of introducing the types of features of the text that I will soon ask you questions about.

Extension: take some notes of anything you feel worth remembering.

5. **Optional:** the following video from Lisa's Study Guides – it is an **introduction** to both The Crucible and Year of Wonders: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WLcAY4TW1Ro