

#### Tituba

Tituba, the Reverend Parris's slave, is a woman from Barbados who practices what the Puritans view as "black magic."



#### **Reverend Parris**

He believes a faction plans to force him to leave Salem, so he attempts to strengthen his authority through the witch trial proceedings.



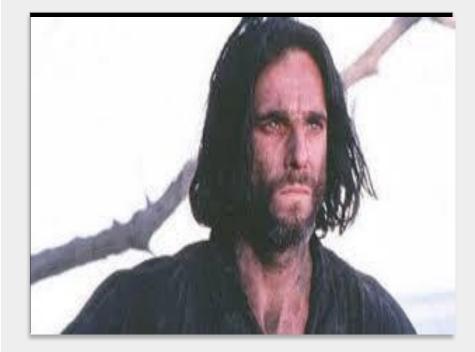
# **Abigail Williams**

One of initial accusers in the Salem witch trials, which led to the arrest and imprisonment of more than 150 innocent people suspected of witchcraft.



#### Proctor

He is honest, upright and blunt-spoken. His manliness acts a great strength, but also as a weakness, for this is what led him to his affair with Abigail.



### **Mrs.Putnam**

She believes that a witch is responsible for the deaths of her seven infant children. Her jealousy of Rebecca Nurse leads her to accuse Goody Nurse of being a witch. Thomas Putnam A greedy landowner in Salem.



### Betty

. Betty falls into a strange stupor after Parris catches her and the other girls dancing in the forest with Tituba. Her illness and that of Ruth Putnam fuel the first rumors of witchcraft.



## **Mercy Lewis**

a fat, sly merciless eighteen year-old girl whom Parris found naked when he spied the girls dancing in the woods.



## **Mary Warren**

she is a maid for John Proctor, and becomes involved in the Salem witch hunt as one of the accusers, led by Abigail Williams.



## **Rebecca Nurse**

is a wise, sensible, and upright woman, held in tremendous regard by most of the Salem community. However, she falls victim to the hysteria when the Putnams accuse her of witchcraft and she refuses to confess.



## **Giles Corey**

he is portrayed as a hot-tempered but honorable man, giving evidence critical to the witch trials.



## John Hale

commonly referred to as "Reverend **Hale**", was the Puritan pastor of Beverly, Massachusetts, during the Salem witch trials in 1692.

