

Journal prompt:

"Men have often managed to avoid the consequences of their scandals while women were expected to endure them like childbirth: pain followed by reward."

Do you agree with this quote? Why or why not? To support your position, cite specific examples from news stories, media coverage, personal experience, and *The Scarlet Letter*.

Agenda

Journal

Quiz

Discussion -plot

> *character analysis sheets*

Carousel poster boards

Class project

Chapters 6-14

Why do they want to take Pearl?

- They say Hester cannot care for her immortal soul

Dimmesdale

- Hester implorates him to help saying he knows her soul

Chillingworth & Dimmesdale

C caring for a sick D

C wants D to tell him what's wrong with his soul

- D says only God can know & heal or punish accordingly

Secrets

C: Everyone should give up their secrets

D: People keep secrets to preserve the goodwill of man but long to release their secrets

Scaffold

- Dimmesdale & Pearl & Hester
- Chillingworth arrives & sees them standing up there
- The meteor
 - how does Dim. perceive it?
 - How does the town perceive it?

The Woods

- Hester meets Chillingworth to tell him to leave Dimmesdale alone or she will tell the town his secret
- Hester blames herself for the ruin of D and C but C only blames D

Irony 6-14

D = man of God but embodiment of sin

C = learned healer now harmful

Themes

Guilt & Punishment

Tone & Mood

Dark - chain of events making everyone suffer

Shift of focus to men from Hester

Bellinghams Mansion

- Hester must argue to keep Pearl
- Dimmesdale argues that Pearl is both punishment & salvation

C Hullingworth & Dimmesdale

- Argue about secrets
- C says all should reveal their secrets,
D says even if men want to,
they often cannot
- D will not reveal his secret to C but C
discovers it while D is sleeping

Theme |

Sin
Punishment
guilt
redemption
& re-determination

Tone/
mood

Irony

- Dimmesdale preaches about sin while being a sinner
- C and D do not initially realize they are the enemy of one another

Imagery

the meteor
the scaffold

Reading:

By Monday 12/7 read
chapters 15 THROUGH 19
(Hester and Pearl
THROUGH The Child at the
Brookside)