

Figure 2.3. Jackie's Transcript

Michaela: Ok, so I don't wanna just like change the mood, but like I want to know like why they did that. Like, I know that we talked about, um, how the girls did it because they wanted attention, but obviously it wasn't too comfortable for most of them because, um, Proctor's—um—maid servant or whatever...

Various students: Mary Warren...

Michaela: She was trippin'. Like she was like, "I can't turn against them!" But she didn't even want to be with them obviously because she was all crying'. She wanted to tell the truth, but she...

Various students: She didn't want to die.

Teacher: So, look at your answers for developing ideas #1. So read that, and then let's talk about Mary Warren for a little bit. In Act II we saw how Mary Warren was reacting to all of this.

Cameron: Um, I think she will continue to lie because of the fact that she is so afraid that Abigail will turn against her and call her a witch and then she don't wanna be hanged or either go to jail and then like I just think what she's doing is a big mistake because it's like even still she is taking someone else's life because she's grown—the lady's grown—so she might be hanged for that. So, it's like—she not even thinking, really—like she's more afraid so she's not gonna do the right thing. But, I think she's probably going to change her mind at the last minute and then that's when it's like they don't know what to believe.

Teacher: Ok, so maybe she's going to change her story so much that no one knows what to believe.

Michaela: I kinda disagree with that; I think that she may tell the truth. I think at first maybe she might like think about it—like should I tell the truth, should I not? But I think she will tell the truth. If she doesn't, she's a poor [inaudible]... Um, I think she might.

Teacher: So, you have faith in Mary Warren to tell the truth.

Various students: I don't think so. I think Abby...If he [Proctor] got all up in my face like that I'd be like, "All right then, sir, I'll tell the truth..." [other inaudible responses]

Maya: I think Abigail's gonna tell the truth.

Teacher: Do you think Abigail's going to tell the truth, Jasmine?

Maya: Yeah.

Michaela: No, Abigail's never gonna...

Teacher: Do you think she's going to confess and just say...

Maya: Yeah, because like if you get up all them lies and stuff...that's guilt. Like, when somebody died, that's guilt on you, and you'd be like, "Dang, that's my fault."

David: Some people like Abigail don't feel guilt.

Cameron: But, she don't really care for Ms. Proctor because she don't really care for her so...

Olivia: I think she will because John Proctor's gonna say something to her that...

Michaela: Um, I think that Abigail's going to keep on lying and then she's gonna get caught up in her lies. Like, I think all the girls are going to end up turning on her instead of like, I think she's gonna be like lyin' and lyin'. I mean, really, if you think about it there's like 20—it's like a whole bunch of them, all of the girls or whatever, all the afflicted girls. If they all turn on Abigail, Abigail can't do nothin'.

Cameron: "But they're all witches!"

Michaela: If all of them turn on her, it's just her by herself.

Tahara: If everybody turns on her then, what will Betty do? Will she stay? She was the one that started it so... what is she gonna do?

Teacher: What do you guys think?