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Pardon Perspective

Directions: Complete the prompts below to prepare for a class debate. Use evidence from what you know about the Salem Witch Trials.

Debate Question: Should the accused have been pardoned earlier?

Your Claim: I believe the accused should / should not have been pardoned earlier because...

Evidence Supporting Your Claim:

(List at least two reasons based on events or decisions from the trials.)

1. _____

2. _____

Opposing Viewpoint: Some people at the time might argue...

Response to Opposing Viewpoint: Here is why I disagree with that argument:

Connection to Justice: How might the timing of pardons affect the fairness of a trial system?
