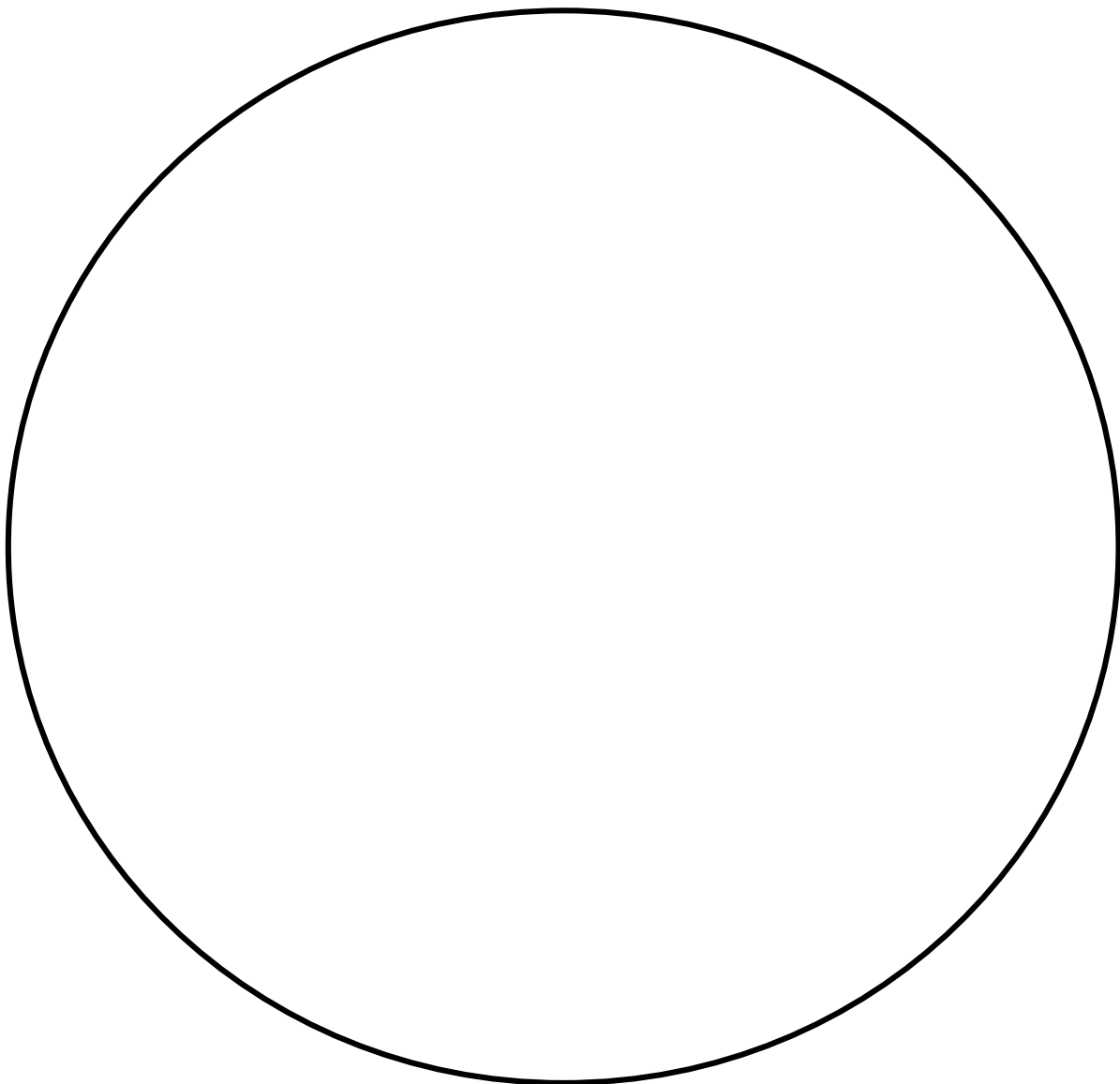


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The Crucible Act 1: HYSTERIA BLAME CHART

At the end of Act 1, the curtain falls on the “ecstatic cries” of Abby and Betty as they hysterically accuse random villagers of witchcraft. At this time, hysteria is beginning to take hold of Salem. **Remember, hysteria is a situation in which many people behave or react in an extreme or uncontrolled way because of fear, anger, or other extreme emotions.** Think about the chain of events that have led to this scene and the characters who have contributed to the hysteria. **Who is to blame for the hysteria?**

Mathematically break down the blame in the pie chart below. Assign each character a percentage of the blame, according to his/her contributions to the hysteria. {The percentages should add up to 100}. **YOU MUST INCLUDE MORE THAN ONE CHARACTER BECAUSE THIS IS A COMPLEX QUESTION.** On the back, provide a brief explanation {with textual evidence} to support each character’s percentage of blame. Be prepared to share your justify your percentages during a class discussion.



<i>Character</i>	EXPLANATION OF BLAME WITH TEXTUAL EVIDENCE