



Exploring Power

The Six Bases of Power Gallery Walk



1. Legitimate Power

This comes from the belief that a person has the formal right to make demands, and to expect others to be compliant and obedient.



2. Reward Power

This results from one person's ability to compensate another for compliance.



3. Expert Power

This is based on a person's high levels of skill and knowledge.



4. Referent Power

This is the result of a person's perceived attractiveness, worthiness, and right to others' respect.



5. Coercive Power

This comes from the belief that a person can punish others for noncompliance.



6. Informational Power

This results from a person's ability to control the information that others need to accomplish something.



YOUR TASK:

You will be given a sticky note.

On the FRONT (non-sticky side), write a situation that fits one of the power bases

Example: Allan pays his brother to do his chores

On the BACK (sticky side), write the power base of your example

Example: Reward



In a minute...

You will get up and walk around the room to find the poster that has your situation's power base written on it.

Gather under that poster and, when everyone is under their correct posters, discuss your situation with that group.

Put your sticky note on the poster.



GALLERY WALK

Take a pen or pencil with you!

Walk around the room and view the situations stuck on each poster.

At each poster, decide which situation BEST fits that power.

With your pen/cil, draw a small star on that sticky note.



DEBRIEF

1. What was the best situation you saw? (i.e. Which situation best fit its power base?)
2. Do you feel you came up with a proper situation for your power base? Why or why not?
3. What questions do you have about power bases?
4. How can we apply the idea of power bases to the characters in *The Crucible*?