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ANNOTATED BIBLIOGRAPHY: *The Scarlet Letter*

Research a critical work discussing this story. On the lines below, summarize its main point by writing a 3-sentence quotation that presents a key passage of that work. Remember, a 3-sentence quotation includes the following elements:

- A “set-up sentence,” which describes the situation in which the quotation occurs and makes brief reference to the prompt, question, or assignment,
- A direct quotation from the story, enclosed in quotation marks and followed by author/page-style citation at the end of the sentence but before final punctuation, and
- A “follow-up” sentence, in which you explain how the quotation answers the prompt, question, or assignment.

Critic Roger Lundin notes Hawthorne’s skillful exploration of human depravity and divine mercy in the novel. “Because it deals deftly and compellingly with questions of guilt and grace, of law and liberty, *The Scarlet Letter* continues to reveal the human condition in general and the conflicts of American culture in particular” (Lundin 239). Simultaneously, Lundin asserts the continued relevance of the novel for modern readers.