The purpose of the fever chart assignment for Hamlet is to allow you to do a close reading of the text, which will lead to a project that supplies evidence for the idea you are developing.

The basic idea of a fever chart is that you are tracking a particular theme through the course of the play, using your own created (SANITY-INSANITY) scale as the "Y-AXIS" and using direct quotes from the play as the "X-AXIS." A careful look at your fever chart will allow you to draw conclusions.

You can choose to do Hamlet alone, or you can have several lines for several different characters. Try to invent a new or fresh approach to the assignment. Try to prove something interesting about your particular theme or make a unique point about the play.
Fever Chart 2014

Ophelia's Map of Madness

Y-axis: Ophelia's steps to becoming suicidal
X-axis: Specific points in the play that utilize the steps
Love Indicator

How do Hamlet's projected emotions reflect his love or hate for the other characters?
Here's an example of Hamlet and the theme of deception:

Here's an example that traces Hamlet's emotions as he moves toward revenge
   http://prezi.com/8idgnbfrdqwg/hamlet-fever-chart/

Hamlet's insanity vs. Gossip Girl?
   http://prezi.com/yziyyb8jvfbb/hamlet-fever-chart/

Another Prezi: Insanity Meter
http://prezi.com/vbntcvjgevln/?utm_campaign=share&utm_medium=copy&rc=ex0share

Another example of the sane/insane question:
   http://prezi.com/k1r-h8jm8kac/hamlet-fever-chart/
Hamlet: A Victim of Circumstance

Act I
Act II
Act III
Act IV
Act V

not a victim

a victim