Romeo and Juliet

William Shakespeare

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NAMES OF THE CHARACTERS

Escales, prince of Verona

Paris, a young nobleman

Montague, the head of the Montague family

Capulet, the head of the Capulet family

Romeo, son to Montague

Mercutio, Romeo's friend

Benvolio, Romeo's cousin

Tybalt, Lady Capulet's nephew

Friar Laurence, priest

Balthasar, servant to Romeo

Sampson, servant to Capulet

Gregory, servant to Capulet

Peter, servant to Juliet's nurse

Abraham, servant to Montague

Lady Montague, the wife of Montague

Lady Capulet, the wife of Capulet

Juliet, the daughter of Capulet

Nurse, Juliet's maid

Scene: Verona; Mantua

Act 1, Scene 1

Life in Verona

(Gregory and Sampson, servants of the Capulet family carrying swords and shields enter.)

Sampson: We cannot carry coals. This is not good.

Gregory : Yes, you are right. We cannot be

colliers. This is not good.

Sampson: I mean if they make us angry we will

pull out our swords.

Gregory : May be you should just pull yourself

out of trouble, Sampson.

Sampson : I hit hard when I'm angry.

Gregory : But it's hard to make you angry.

Sampson : A dog from the Montague house will

make me angry. If I see one of them on the street I will stand closer to the

wall.

Gregory : I think that makes you the weak one,

Sampson.

Sampson : That's true. Women get pushed up

against walls because they are weak. I can push Montague's men and their maids to the wall. I can fight with the

men and cut off women's heads.

Gregory : Cut off their heads?

Sampson : Yes, I can be very cruel. I'm a pretty

piece of flesh and they must feel this.

Gregory : You are not a pretty piece of flesh

because you are still poor. Nobody

fears you.

(Abraham and Balthasar enter.)

Gregory : Get your weapon out. Those men are

from the house of Montague.

Sampson : My naked weapon is out, fight, I will

back you.

Gregory : How? I can only turn my back and

run.

Sampson : No, you cannot turn your back and

run.

Gregory: They are too many, I cannot fight

them.

Act 1, Scene 5

The Feast

(There are musicians waiting and servants enter with napkins.)

First Servant: Where is the sauce pan?

Second Servant: Over there! Over there!

First Servant : Organise chairs and stools. Remove

the cupboard, bring the plates.

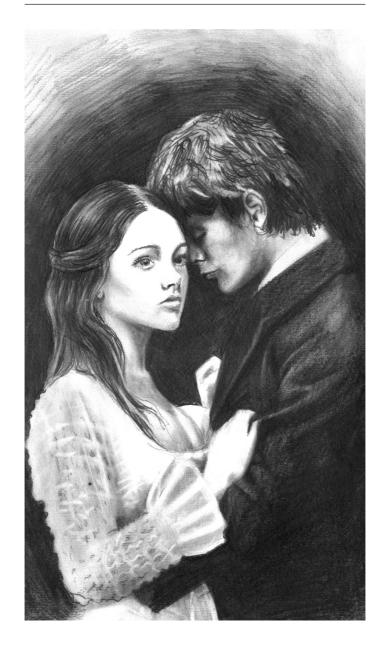
Second Servant: OK, boy, ready.

(Capulet enters with Juliet and other people of his house to meet the guests.)

Capulet

: Welcome ladies and gentlemen. It is a real pleasure to entertain you at my poor house. I have seen the day. Welcome, again. I could whisper a tale in a fair lady's ear. I could sing and dance all night. You are very welcome ladies and gentlemen. Come,

musicians, play.



Act 3, Scene 5

Light and Dark

(Romeo and Juliet enter; Juliet is above at the window.)

Juliet : It was the nightingale, and not the lark.

She sings on your pomegranate-tree. Believe me love, it was the nightingale.

Romeo: It was not the nightingale; it was the

lark. Look, night is over; day is coming. I must go now and live, or stay and die.

Juliet : I cannot see daylight.

Romeo : Let me be captured and put to death.

I'll say it's not daylight if it's what you want. Let me stay, my love. Let me stay and die here. I want to welcome death.

Juliet : Go away, Romeo. Don't stay. It is the

lark that sings a song. It makes a sharp and unpleasing sound. Now, go, my love. More light, and light will grow. **Romeo**: The more light there is, the more

trouble we'll have.

(Nurse enters.)

Nurse : Madam!

Juliet : Nurse!

Nurse : Your mother is coming to your room.

The day is sad.

(Nurse exits.)

Juliet : Let the day in, window. And let life

out.

Romeo : Farewell! Farewell, my love!

Juliet : My love, my lord, my husband, my

friend... I must hear from you every

day. Oh, have you gone?



Romeo : Here is my poison.

(Romeo drinks the poison and dies.)

(Friar Laurence and Balthasar enter with a torch and spade.)

Friar Laurence: Quick! Who is there?

Balthasar : Holy sir, there is my master. Romeo!

Friar Laurence: Fear comes upon me. Romeo! He is

pale.

Balthasar : My lord is dead. And there is Paris

who is in blood.

Friar Laurence: What a heavy day!

(Juliet wakes)

Juliet : I remember everything. Where is my

Romeo?

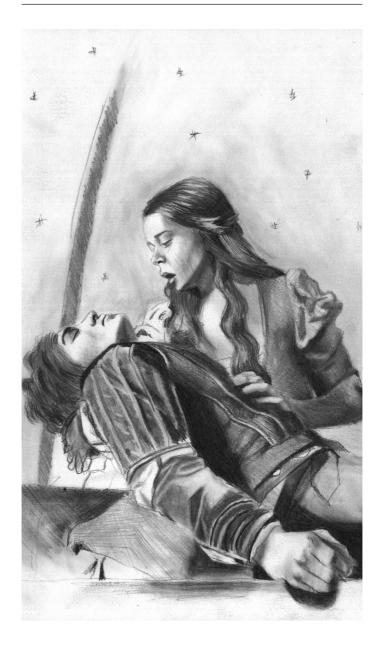
Friar Laurence: Come with me, good lady.

(Juliet runs towards Romeo.)

Juliet : What happened to my lord? Poison!

He has killed himself. Timeless death.

The end of my love.



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Activities

Act 1, Scenes 1-2

Read scenes 1, 2 and circle the correct answer for each question.

- 1. Which characters complain about their jobs?
 - a) Abraham and Sampson
 - b) Sampson and Gregory
- 2. Who starts the fight?
 - a) Sampson
 - b) Benvolio
- 3. Who hates peace?
 - a) Benvolio
 - b) Tybalt
- 4. What does Capulet want?
 - a) a club
 - b) his sword
- 5. Who warns Capulet and Montague?
 - a) Abraham
 - b) The Prince

Characters

A. What do you know about these characters? Fill in the gaps with the words in the box.

Balthasar	Nurse	Montague
Capulet	Mercutio	Prince
Juliet	Benvolio	Abraham
Lady Capulet	Friar Laurence	Paris

- B. How do you feel about these characters in the story? Circle the best answer for each character.
 - Juliet
 She's innocent.
 She's a devil.

2.	Romeo	a. He's loving.b. He's terrible.					
3.	Capulet	a. He has rage.b. He's wise.					
4.	Friar Laurence	a. He's wise.b. He is bad.					
5.	Montague	a. He's evil.b. He has rage.					
6.	Mercutio	a. He's friendly.b. He is dishonest.					
7.	Prince	a. He is sensible.b. He is full of hatred.					
8.	Tybalt	a. He's a great fighter.b. He's loving.					
C. Are	e these sentences Tr	rue (T) or False (F)?					
1.	Juliet is in love with Paris.						
2.	Romeo is a Montague.						
	Capulet has a son.						
	. Romeo's love for Juliet is eternal.						
	Romeo is a Montague. Capulet has a son. Romeo's love for Juliet is eternal. Tybalt kills Paris. Paris dies in the fight. Juliet dies in the story. Mercutio is a friend of Romeo.						
6.	Paris dies in the fight.						
7.	Juliet dies in the story.						
	Mercutio is a friend of Romeo.						
9.	Lady Capulet wants Juliet to marry Romeo.						
10	10. Capulet and Montague are enemies.						

Word search

Find the ten words from the story and write the words.

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Glossary

admit allow someone to enter a place

* He *admitted* the children to the theatre

without tickets.

ache suffer from a pain

* My whole body is aching.

ancestor a person related to you who lived a long

time ago

* He has written a book about his

ancestors.

ancient from a long time ago

* I am interested in *ancient* languages

and cultures.

arrangement a plan

* We need to make an *arrangement* for

the weekend.

attendant an assistant or a servant of an

important person

* He has many attendants.

beam a line of light shining from an object

* Sun *beams* make me feel happy.

beast a large, wild animal

* Kids are scared of beasts.