

# Romeo and Juliet

by William Shakespeare

## SHAKESPEARE-SPEAK

Write in modern language what Shakespeare meant when he wrote each phrase.

1. "Wherefore art thou Romeo?"

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2. "Not stepping o'er the bounds of modesty."

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3. "But soft, what light through yonder window break  
It is the east, and Juliet is the sun."

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4. "These violent delights have violent ends  
And in their triumph die, like fire and powder,  
Which, as they kiss, consume."

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Sir Frank Dicksee

*Romeo and Juliet kiss on the balcony.*

## QUIZ

Draw a line from the characters' name to their description.

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| 1. Friend to both Romeo and Juliet: He secretly marries them.                              | <b>Romeo</b>          |
| 2. A long-winded, vulgar woman who took care of Juliet as a child.                         | <b>Juliet</b>         |
| 4. An innocent 13-year-old girl, who falls in love for the first time.                     | <b>Friar Lawrence</b> |
| 5. A kinsman to the Prince, and Romeo's close friend.                                      | <b>Nurse</b>          |
| 7. A Capulet, Juliet's cousin on her mother's side. He hates all Montagues.                | <b>Mercutio</b>       |
| 8. Romeo's father, patriarch of the Montague clan and bitter enemy of Capulet.             | <b>Tybalt</b>         |
| 9. The heir of Montague. At sixteen years old, he is handsome, intelligent, and sensitive. | <b>Montague</b>       |

**Shakespeare-Speak Answers:** 1. Why are you Romeo? Or, more specifically, why must you be a Montague, the son of my family's enemy? 2. Not going too far. 3. Though it is late at night, Juliet's beauty makes Romeo imagine that she is the morning sun, turning the darkness into daylight. 4. A warning Romeo to cool down his passion. Moderate love is less likely to lead to disaster than violent love. **Quiz Answers:** 1. Friar Lawrence 2. Nurse 3. Juliet 4. Mercutio 7. Tybalt 8. Montague 9. Romeo

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## WHO SAID IT?

From this list of characters, write who said each quote.

**Romeo   Juliet   Mercutio   Tybalt   Capulet**

1. "What's in a name? That which is called rose  
By any other name would smell as sweet."

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2. "Death is my son-in-law, Death is my heir;  
My daughter he hath wedded. I will die  
And leave him all. Life, living, all is Death's."

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3. "Is love a tender thing? It is too rough, too rude, too  
boisterous, and it pricks like thorn."

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4. "And when I shall die, take him and cut him up in little  
stars, and he will make the face of heaven so fine that all  
the world will fall in love with night and pay no worship  
to the garish sun."

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5. "A plague o' both your houses! They have made worms'  
meat of me."

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6. "Thy drugs are quick. Thus with a kiss I die."

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7. "Ask for me tomorrow, and you shall find me a grave  
man."

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8. "Be not so long to speak; I long to die!"

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Frederick Leighton

*The Reconciliation of the Montagues and Capulets over  
the Dead Bodies of Romeo and Juliet.*

9. "My child is yet a stranger in the world; She hath not seen  
the change of fourteen years, Let two more summers wither  
in their pride, Ere we may think her ripe to be a bride."

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10. "Peace? Peace. I hate the word, as I hate hell, all  
Montagues, and thee."

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11. "If love be rough with you, be rough with love. Prick  
love for pricking and you beat love down."

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12. "Good night, good night! parting is such sweet  
sorrow, That I shall say good night till it be morrow."

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13. "Romeo, thou art a villain."

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14. "Death, that hath sucked the honey of thy breath,  
hath had no power yet upon thy beauty."

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Answers: 1. Juliet, 2. Capulet, 4. Romeo, 5. Mercutio, 6. Mercutio, 7. Romeo, 8. Juliet, 9. Juliet, 10. Tybalt, 11. Mercutio, 12. Juliet, 13. Tybalt, 14. Romeo