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He and her father weep equally, and compete for the right to be the greater mourner. So, I commend me from our house in grief. 1360 My woes are tedious, though my words are brief. Thus treason works ere traitors be espied.

#### The Rape of Lucrece Thesis Statements and Important Quotes

How can death kill the strong and leave the old, feeble folks alive? And I am now—oh, no, that can't be. The deep vexation of his inward soul Hath served a dumb arrest upon his tongue; 1780 Who, mad that sorrow should his use control, Or keep him from heart-easing words so long, Begins to talk; but through his lips do throng Weak words, so thick come in his poor heart's aid, That no man could distinguish what he said.

#### The Rape of Lucrece Poem Translation

Thou art not what thou seem'st; and if the same, 600 Thou seem'st not what thou art, a god, a king; For kings like gods should govern everything. And from the walls of strong-besieged Troy When their brave hope, bold Hector, marched to field, Stood many Trojan mothers sharing joy To see their youthful sons bright weapons wield; And to their hope they such odd action yield That through their light joy seemed to appear, Like bright things stained, a kind of heavy fear.

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Her body was paraded in the Roman Forum by the king's nephew. About him were a press of gaping faces, Which seem'd to swallow up his sound advice; All jointly listening, but with several graces, As if some mermaid did their ears entice, Some high, some low, the painter was so nice; The scalps of many, almost hid behind, To jump up higher seem'd, to mock the mind.

#### The Rape of Lucrece Poem Translation

Aside from the rape section, which was disturbing, the scene where Collatine and Lucrece's father are arguing over who has more reason to cry because she was theirs.

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