**Act 1 - The Tragedy of Romeo and Juliet**

***Prologue:***

1. In what city does this play take place?

**Verona**

2. Why are Romeo and Juliet called “star-cross’d lovers”?

**Destined to meet**

***Scene 1:***

5. What threat does the Prince make to Lord Montague and Lord Capulet?

**Stop fighting or be put to death**

7. Why is Romeo so sad? Explain.

**He loves Rosaline who doesn’t love him**

8. What is Benvolio’s advice to Romeo?

**Forget her, there are other girls**

***Scene 2:***

10. What does Paris ask about Capulet?

**Can I marry Juliet?**

13. What problem does the servant have?

**Peter cannot read**

14. What is the name of the woman Romeo loves?

**Rosaline**

15. What do Romeo and Benvolio decide to do?

**Go to the mask party. Benvolio wants to compare Rosaline to other pretty girls. Romeo wants to see Rosaline.**

***Scene 3:***

16. How old is Juliet?

**13**

***Scene 4:***

20. What does Mercutio say about dreams?

**Silly things people do**

21. What is Romeo’s mood at the end of this scene? Explain.

**He thinks the party might lead to his death.**

***Scene 5:***

23. How does Tybalt recognize Romeo?

**By his voice**

24. When Tybalt is ready to seize Romeo and throw him out of the party, what does Capulet say to Tybalt?

**He’s a gentleman; leave him alone**

26. How does Romeo find out Juliet’s last name?

**nurse**

27. How does Juliet find out Romeo’s last name?

**nurse**

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***Scene 2*:**

2. When Juliet appears on her balcony, what does Romeo compare her to?

**The sun**

5. Unaware of his presence, what does Juliet ask Romeo to say?

**That he will change his name and he loves her**

6. In a sentence or two, explain what Juliet says about names.

**Names don’t mean anything.**

9. Juliet is going to send someone to Romeo on the following day for what purpose?

**To see if Romeo loves her and will marry her**

***Scene 3*:**

13. What does Friar Lawrence mean when he says to Romeo, “Young men’s love then lies not truly in their hearts, but in their eyes?

**That it’s lust, not love**

14. Friar Laurence agrees to perform the marriage ceremony for Romeo and Juliet for what reason?

**To get the families to stop fighting**

***Scene 4*:**

15. According to Mercutio, what kind of man is Tybalt?

**Angry and a strong fighter**

17. How is Juliet to arrange to meet Romeo?

**Juliet goes to the abbey to “confess” and Romeo will climb up a rope ladder to meet her**

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***Scene 1:***

3. When Tybalt and Mercutio first begin arguing, what does Benvolio try to them to do?

**He tells them to go somewhere private to settle their differences**

5. Why won’t Romeo fight Tybalt?

**Because they are family (he’s married to Juliet and Tybalt is Juliet’s cousin)**

6. What does Mercutio think is the reason Romeo refuses to fight?

**He’s scared of the Prince’s threat to kill them if they fight**

7. Why does Mercutio keep repeating, “A plague o’ both your houses”?

**It was the feud between the Capulet and Montague families that led to his death**

10. When Benvolio relates to the Prince what happened, what does he say Romeo tried to before Mercutio was killed?

**Stop the fight**

11. What does Lady Capulet accuse Benvolio of? Why?

**Lying because he’s a Montague**

12. What is Romeo’s punishment for killing Tybalt?

**He must leave Verona**

***Scene 2:***

15. What piece of news has upset Juliet the most?

**That Romeo is banished**

***Scene 3:***

17. Explain Romeo’s reaction to the news of his banishment.

**He’d rather die than be separated from Juliet**

***Scene 4:***

21. What does Capulet tell his wife to say to Juliet?

**Get ready for the wedding between Juliet and Paris**

***Scene 5:***

24. Just as Romeo is about to descend the rope ladder and leave Juliet, what does Juliet say about the way Romeo looks?

**He looks like he’s dead in the bottom of the tomb**

25. Why does Lady Capulet think Juliet is crying?

**Because Tybalt is dead**

26. When Lady Capulet threatens to send someone to Mantua to poison Romeo, what does Juliet say?

**Let me mix the poison and then you can send it with your man**

27. After Lady Capulet breaks the news about Paris, what is Juliet’s response?

**I won’t marry Paris. I will marry Romeo.**

28. If Juliet’s mother does not arrange to delay the marriage, what will Juliet do?

**She will kill herself**

29. What is Capulet’s reaction to Juliet’s threats?

**Marry him or I’ll abandon you**

30. What is the nurse’s advice to Juliet?

**Just marry Paris**

31. How does Juliet’s attitude toward the nurse change?

**The nurse is a traitor**

32. What “scheme” does Juliet devise to get rid of the nurse and to get out of the house?

**She’s going to confess her sins for making her father mad – really, she’s getting Friar Lawrence’s help**

**Act 4 - The Tragedy of Romeo and Juliet**

***Scene 1:***

1. Why is Friar Lawrence reluctant to marry Paris to Juliet?

**Because he’s already married Juliet and Romeo**

2. How does Paris explain the sudden haste of the marriage plans?

**To stop her from being sad about Tybalt by giving her a wedding**

4. If Friar Lawrence cannot help her, what does Juliet threaten to do?

**Kill herself**

6. Describe the friar’s plan for Juliet.

**She will take a vial that will make her look dead for 42 hours. Then, when she wakes up she will go to Mantua to see Romeo**

***Scene 2:***

8. How does Capulet change the wedding plans? What implication does this have?

**He makes them earlier – the letter does not have as much time to get to Romeo**

***Scene 3:***

10. If the potion does not work, what will Juliet do?

**She will go insane or she will kill herself**

11. What are some of the fears Juliet has about the potion?

**It won’t work, suffocation, ghosts, insanity, Tybalt’s body, it will kill her**

***Scene 5:***

2. What does Friar Lawrence say to comfort the Capulet family?

**Juliet is in heaven**

3. What event are the Capulets now preparing for?

**Juliet’s funeral**

**Act 5 - The Tragedy of Romeo and Juliet**

***Scene 1:***

1. What news does Balthasar bring Romeo?

**Juliet is dead**

2. What does Romeo mean when he says, “Then I defy you, stars!”?

**Going against destiny**

3. What actions does Balthasar’s news prompt Romeo to do?

**Romeo goes to buy poison to kill himself**

***Scene 2:***

4. What does Friar John tell Friar Lawrence?

**He couldn’t send the message**

5. After hearing this news from Friar John, what does Friar Laurence intend to do?

**Go get Juliet and bring her back to his cell**

***Scene 3:***

6. Why is Paris at Juliet’s tomb?

**To mourn her**

7. Romeo gives Balthasar two reasons for entering the Capulet’s tomb. What are those two reasons?

**Take her ring and see her face**

8. Why does Paris think that Romeo has come to the tomb?

**He’s a grave robber**

9. What is it about Juliet that should have told Romeo that she was not dead?

**Color in her face and her lips were red**

11. Why does Juliet kiss Romeo after he is dead?

**To try and get the poison from her lips**

15. How do Montague and Capulet plan to honor the memories of their children?

**Build gold statues**