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***ROMEO AND JULIET*: Act I Reading and Study Guide**

I. VOCABULARY: Be able to define the following words and understand them when they appear in the play.

adversary _____

boisterous _____

nuptial _____

II. LITERARY TERMS: Be able to define each term and apply each term to the play.

aside _____

Example: _____

blank verse _____

characterization _____

conflict _____

External: 1. _____ vs. _____

2. _____ vs. _____

3. _____ vs. _____

Internal: 4. _____ vs. _____

Example: _____

couplet _____

epithet _____

figurative language _____

Example: _____

foil _____

Example: _____

foreshadowing _____

Example: _____

iambic meter _____

iambic pentameter _____

metaphor _____

Example: _____

simile _____

Example: _____

pun _____

Example: _____

III. Questions: answer the following questions.

Prologue:

1. In what city does this play take place?
2. Why are Romeo and Juliet called “star-cross’d lovers”?

Scene 1:

3. Who is fighting at the beginning of the first scene?
4. Who tries to break up the fighting?
5. What threat does the Prince make to Lord Montague and Lord Capulet?
6. Benvolio and Montague describe the way Romeo has been acting. What do they have to say about him?
7. Why is Romeo so sad? Explain.
8. What is Benvolio’s advice to Romeo?

Scene 2:

9. Why does Capulet think it will be easy for Montague and him to keep the peace?
10. What does Paris ask about Capulet?
11. What is Capulet’s first answer?
12. A bit later Capulet appears to change his mind about Paris’ question. What does he then tell Paris?
13. What problem does the servant have?
14. What is the name of the woman Romeo loves?

15. What do Romeo and Benvolio decide to do?

Scene 3:

16. How old is Juliet?

17. When Lady Capulet asks Juliet how she feels about marriage, what is Juliet's answer?

18. Following Juliet's answer, what does Lady Capulet then tell Juliet?

Scene 4:

19. According to Mercutio, who or what is Queen Mab, and what does she or it do?

20. What does Mercutio say about dreams?

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

Scene 5:

22. What does Romeo think of Juliet the first time he sees her?

23. How does Tybalt recognize Romeo?

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

25. Explain what the conversation is between Romeo and Juliet.

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

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