

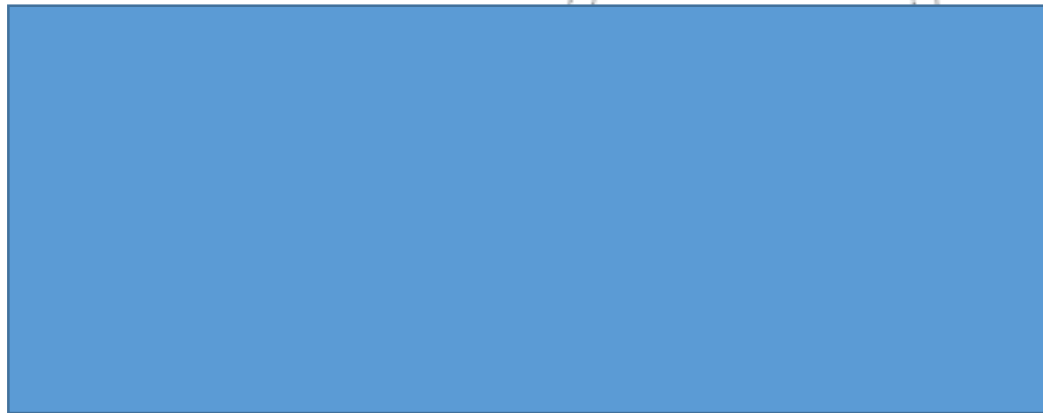
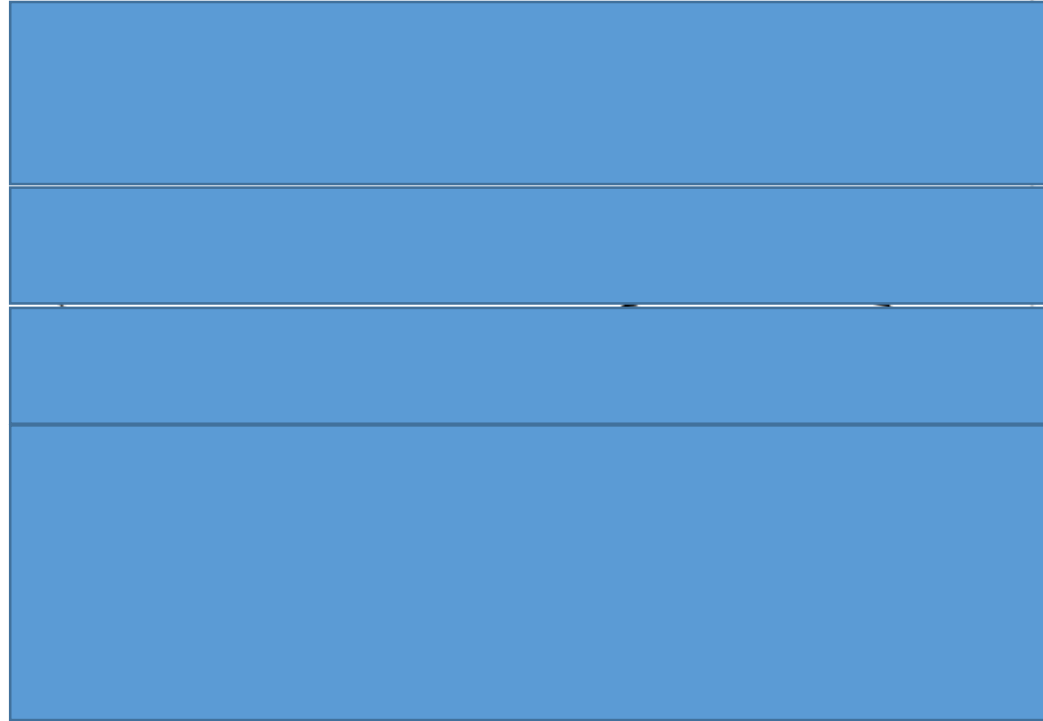
<p>Step 1→ Take out your homework.</p>	<p>Webquest→ Top 1, 3, or 5 Container</p>
<p>Step 2→ Write down today's date and title.</p>	<p><u>Introduction to Shakespeare</u> <u>2/6/17</u></p>
<p>Step 3→ Journal</p>	<p>Journal 29: HOMEWORK Do you think homework is important? Why or why not? Have you ever learned anything from it? Do you get too much in certain classes?</p>

- Journal #29: Homework 2/6/17

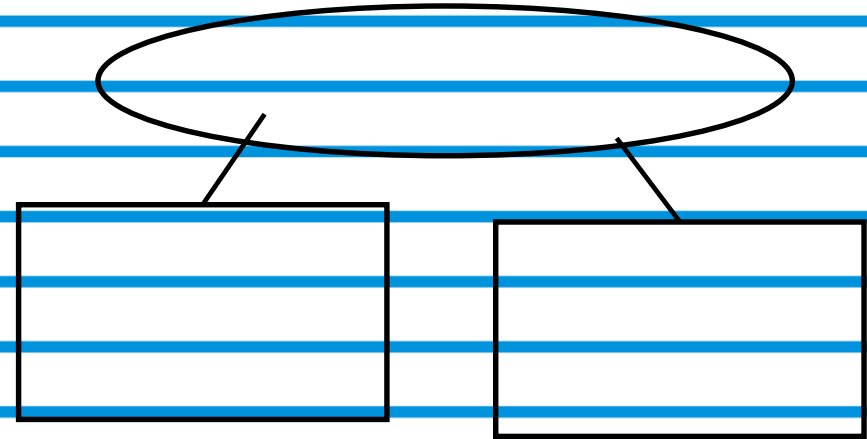
Practice: Planning an essay. **LEFT HAND SIDE** of your journal!

How to plan an essay:

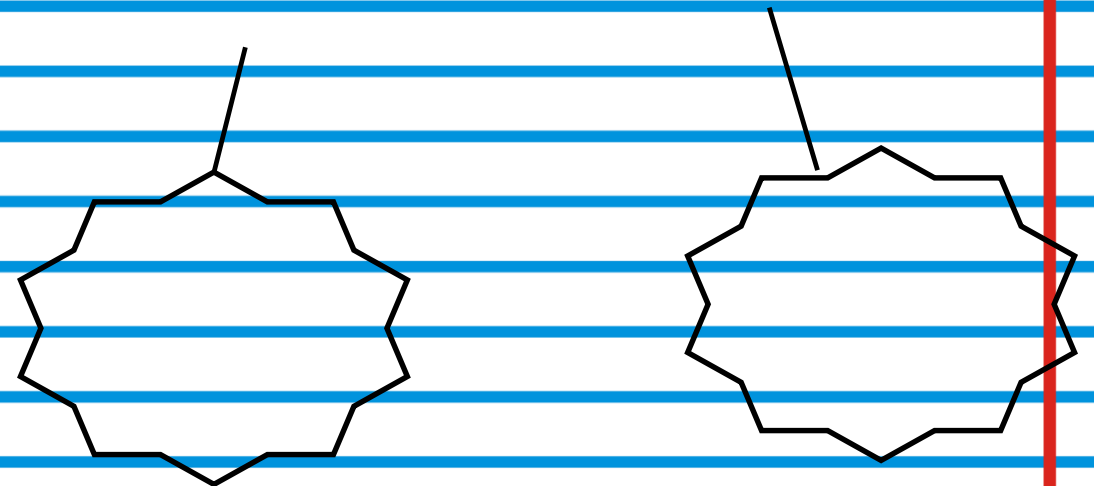
Step 1: Take the prompt and turn it into a question.



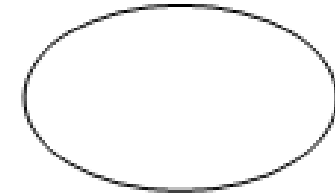
Question:



Thesis:



Name _____ Date _____ Period _____



Creating questions from prompts

Take the following prompts and **turn them in questions**. → Should _____ or _____?

Is it better to _____ or _____?

1. There is a strong feeling that there are too many assignments given to students. Others feel homework is essential to promote learning. Write an essay explaining your feelings about the importance of homework.

Why is homework important?

Should homework be given or not?

Work on your plan by yourself or with a partner.

- When you're finished, let me stamp it!

A red theater curtain with a gold tassel on the left side. The text is centered on the curtain.

An Introduction to
Romeo and Juliet

Including fascinating information about

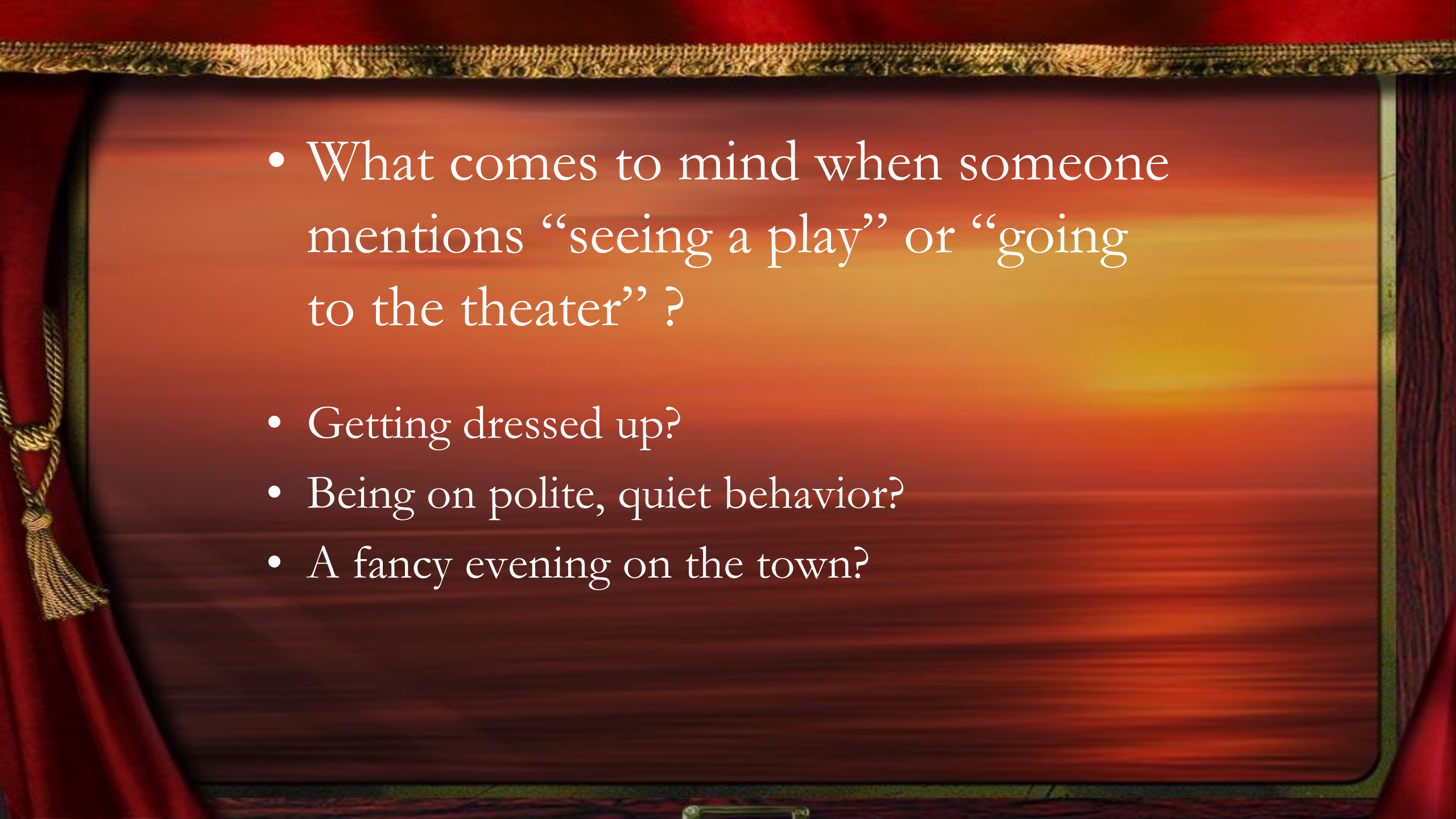
Elizabethan Theater

and

William Shakespeare

This worksheet is NOT word for word.

- You will have to LISTEN and put in the correct answers!

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- What comes to mind when someone mentions “seeing a play” or “going to the theater” ?
 - Getting dressed up?
 - Being on polite, quiet behavior?
 - A fancy evening on the town?

Well, if you had lived in Elizabethan England, you might think of...

- Dangerous, dirty, and rude audience members
(criminals, servants, prostitutes, and gamblers, oh my!)
- Yelling and throwing food at the actors
- Violence and fighting (on AND off the stage)
- Dirty jokes
- The best entertainment around!
- Slapstick humor



The Elizabethan Era and its Theater

will help you prepare for
quizzes and the unit test!

1. Going to see plays in the 1500s was very different from going to see plays now. Audience members were usually dangerous, dirty, and rude. Sometimes they even threw food at the actors if they did not like the play. The plays themselves were full of dirty jokes, fighting, and slapstick humor.

England: Queen Elizabeth

- England → “The Golden Age” of economic prosperity and peace within the country
- Frequent plagues
 - Playhouses → closed
- Religious tension: Protestants vs. Catholics
- Differences between classes





2. The time during which Queen Elizabeth ruled England is often called the “Golden Age” because of its relative economic prosperity and peace within the country. During this time, art and literature flourished. However, the country was tormented by frequent plagues, which often caused the play houses to be closed. England—and all of Europe—was also dealing with continued tension and fighting between Protestants and Catholics, although Queen Elizabeth tried to promote peace through freedom of religion. There were great differences between the lifestyles of the social classes, as one could quickly see when attending a play.



Elizabethan Theater

- Plays were considered so scandalous and immoral that theaters were not allowed in the city of London; they all had to be built across the Thames River in Southwark
- Plays were performed in the afternoon, because there was no stage lighting
- It was against the law for women to act in plays, so female roles were played by adolescent boys*



**A North European tradition; this was not the case in Spain, France, or Italy.*



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Theater Patrons

- Most theaters held several thousand people, most of whom had to stand on the ground in front of the stage. These people were called “groundlings.”
- Wealthier audience members could pay more money to sit on benches or chairs
- Women could attend the theater, but many upper-class women wore masks to conceal their identities

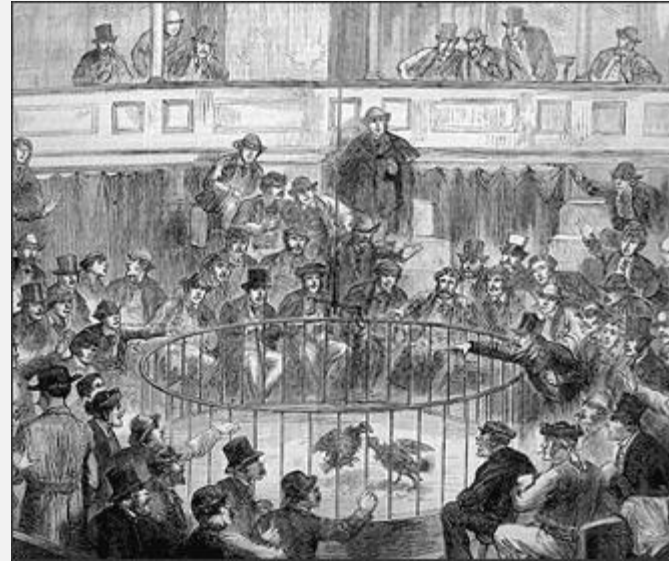




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COMPETITION FOR AUDIENCES

Theatres had to compete for audiences against other London entertainment. These included cock-fighting and bear-baiting which were enjoyed by both the poor and the wealthy.



According to one estimate, at least 70% of men were illiterate and 90% of women couldn't even sign their names.

DID YOU KNOW?

Today, the place where you buy your theatre tickets is called the Box Office.

In Shakespeare's day, as people came into the theatre or climbed the steps to their seats, audiences had to put their money in a box. So the place where audiences pay became known as the box office.

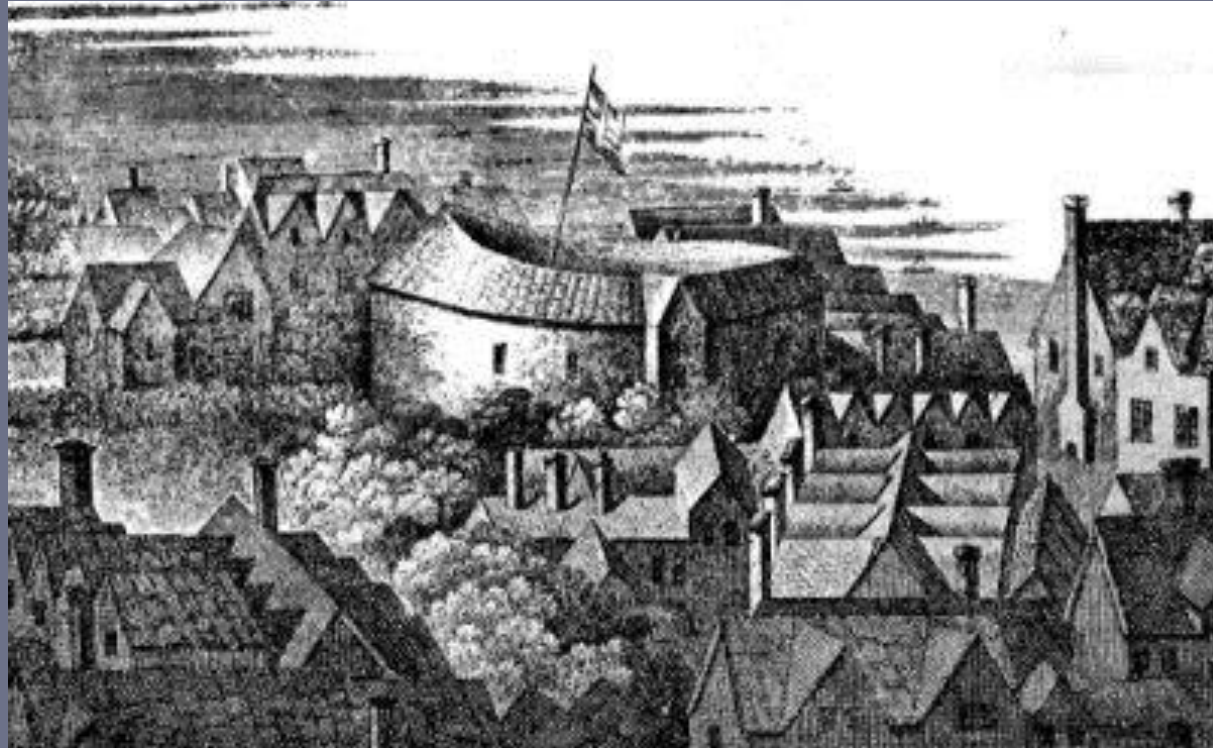
Shakespearean Theater “The Globe”

Romeo,
Romeo... Where
for art thou
Romeo?



The Globe Theater

1598:



Elizabethan Theatre Fun Facts

- ◆ The Globe
 - ◆ Constructed in 1598 out of an old, “moved” theatre
- ◆ Next to the Thames River
- ◆ Southwark (bad reputation) outside of London



- Different levels of seating
- Almost no scenery, props, curtain, act divisions, costumes, etc.
 - Audience would have to imagine the setting and characterization

More About The Globe

- ◆ Burned down in 1613 during a performance
 - ✦ Cannon used in a scene → straw roof caught fire

Globe Theatre Fact 12

According to one of the few surviving documents of the event, no one was hurt when The Globe Theatre burned down – except for a man whose burning trousers were put out with a bottle of beer!

- ◆ Rebuilt 1614 (tile roof)
- ◆ Demolished in 1644 (Puritans)
 - ✦ Going to the theatre=SINFUL!

The Globe Theater



- ◆ Modern version opened 1997
- ◆ 200 yards from original site
- ◆ 1st thatched roof since 1666

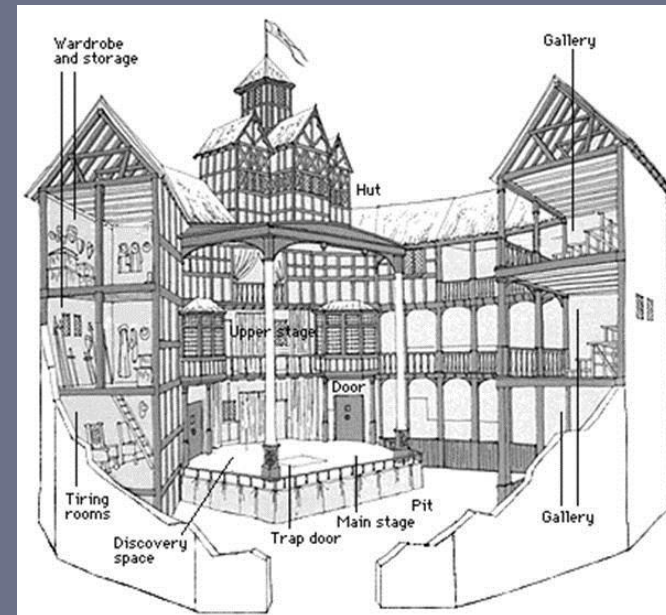


The stage of the globe → afterlife



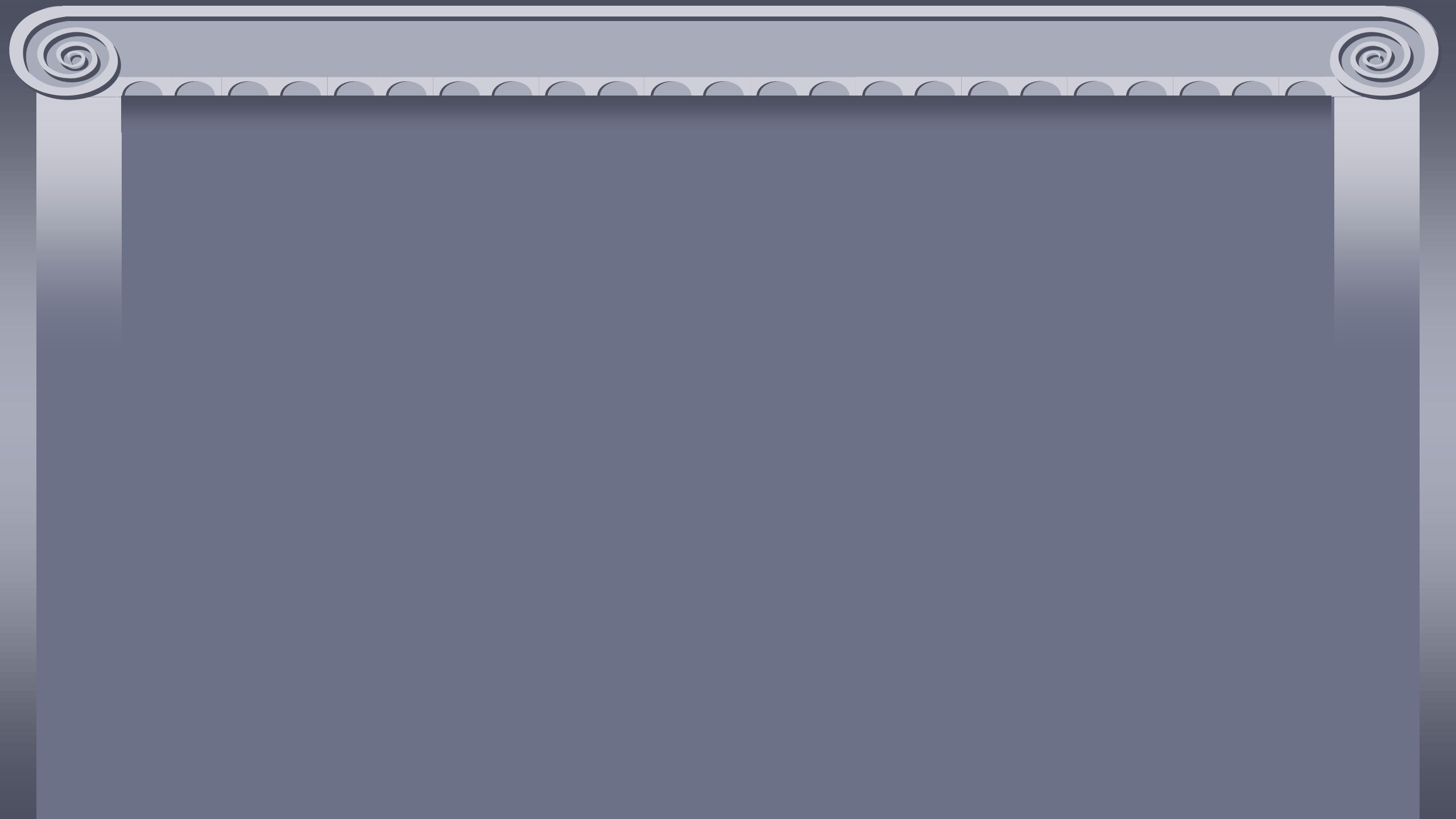
The stage ceiling was called the "heavens" and was decorated with astrological and celestial designs.

The area below the stage was called the "cellarage," from which "ghosts" appeared from trap doors.









History of The Globe Theater



5. Shakespeare's Globe Theater was originally built in 1598 from the timber of old, "moved" theatre. It was located next to the River Thames in the neighborhood of Southwark. Like all theaters, the Globe had different levels of seating. There would have been little or no scenery, props, curtains, act divisions, or costumes; the audience had to imagine each play's setting and characterization based on information being given in the dialogue. The theater burned down in 1613 when a cannon being used during a performance caught the roof on fire. The theater was rebuilt in 1614, this time with a tile roof. The theater was again demolished in 1644 by the Puritans, who believed that going to the theater was sinful. The current version of the theater opened in 1997, only 200 yards from the original site. It has the first thatched roof allowed within the City of London since 1666! The stage of the Globe was meant to represent the afterlife; the stage ceiling, known as the "heavens" was decorated with celestial and astrological designs. Conversely, the area directly below that stage, from which "ghosts" often emerged through trap doors, was called the "cellarage."

The life of The Bard himself (Shakespeare):



April 23, 1564: William Shakespeare was born in England in Stratford-upon-Avon to John and Mary Shakespeare. There is a baptismal registration for Shakespeare, but few other written records exist. He was the 3rd of 8 children.





Shakespeare's upbringing

- ◆ Born into a relatively respectable family
- ◆ Father was a bailiff (nearly the town mayor)
- ◆ Shakespeare was relatively well-educated.
 - ◆ He went to school until he was 15, but not university



1582: According to church records, Shakespeare married Anne Hathaway.

At the time of their marriage, William was eighteen and Anne was twenty-six.

When did Shakespeare marry?

In late 1582, we don't know the exact date, Shakespeare married Anne Hathaway – a local farmer's daughter. William was only 18 years old. Most men at this time married in their mid- to late-20s. So why did William marry so young? The answer came six months later, when William's daughter, Susanna, was baptised.



Much of Shakespeare's younger years remain a mystery, but there are rumors about what jobs he may have worked.

Schoolmaster



Lawyer



Butcher Apprentice

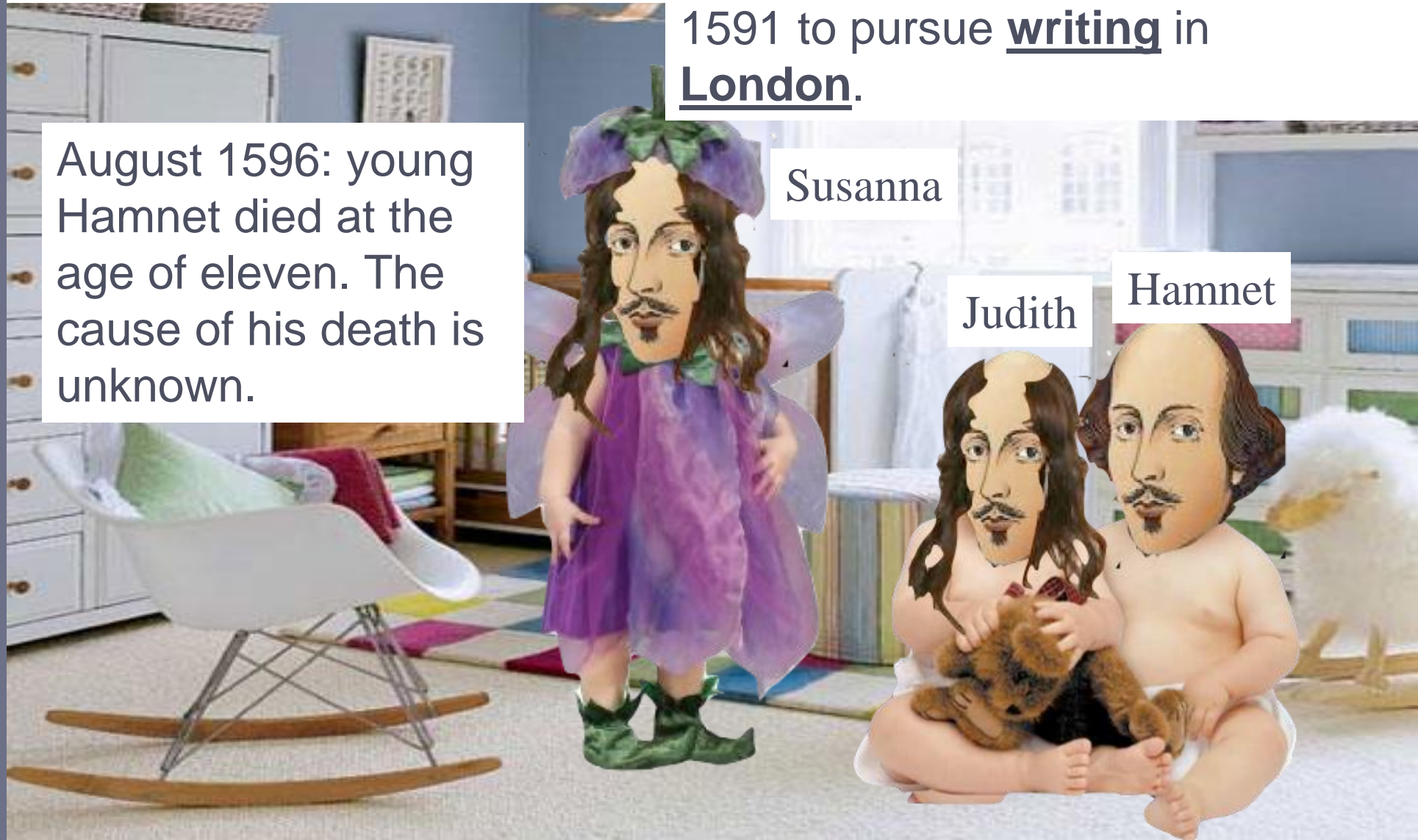


Lawyer

William and Anne have three children together (Susanna, Hamnet, and Judith).

Shakespeare left his family in 1591 to pursue writing in London.

August 1596: young Hamnet died at the age of eleven. The cause of his death is unknown.



Susanna

Judith

Hamnet

In 1592, Shakespeare began developing a reputation as an actor and playwright.

As theatres were beginning to grow in popularity, it is probable that Shakespeare began earning a living writing plays (adapting old ones and working with others on new ones).

He was an actor, playwright, investor, and theatre owner.



1594: William became involved with a company of actors named “The Lord Chamberlain’s Men.” This group later (1603) changed their name to “The King’s Men”.



In 1598, Shakespeare, in collaboration with other actors, designed and built *The Globe*.

This circular theatre was the first of its kind, breaking away from the traditional rectangular theatres.



Shakespeare:

- ◆ Wrote his first play when he was 25.
- ◆ He wrote plays for Queen Elizabeth and King James

- ◆ “Shakespeare was a wonderful teller of stories so long as someone else had told them first.” –George Bernard Shaw

1612: Shakespeare moved back to Stratford where he retired both rich and famous.



1616: William Shakespeare dies on his birthday.

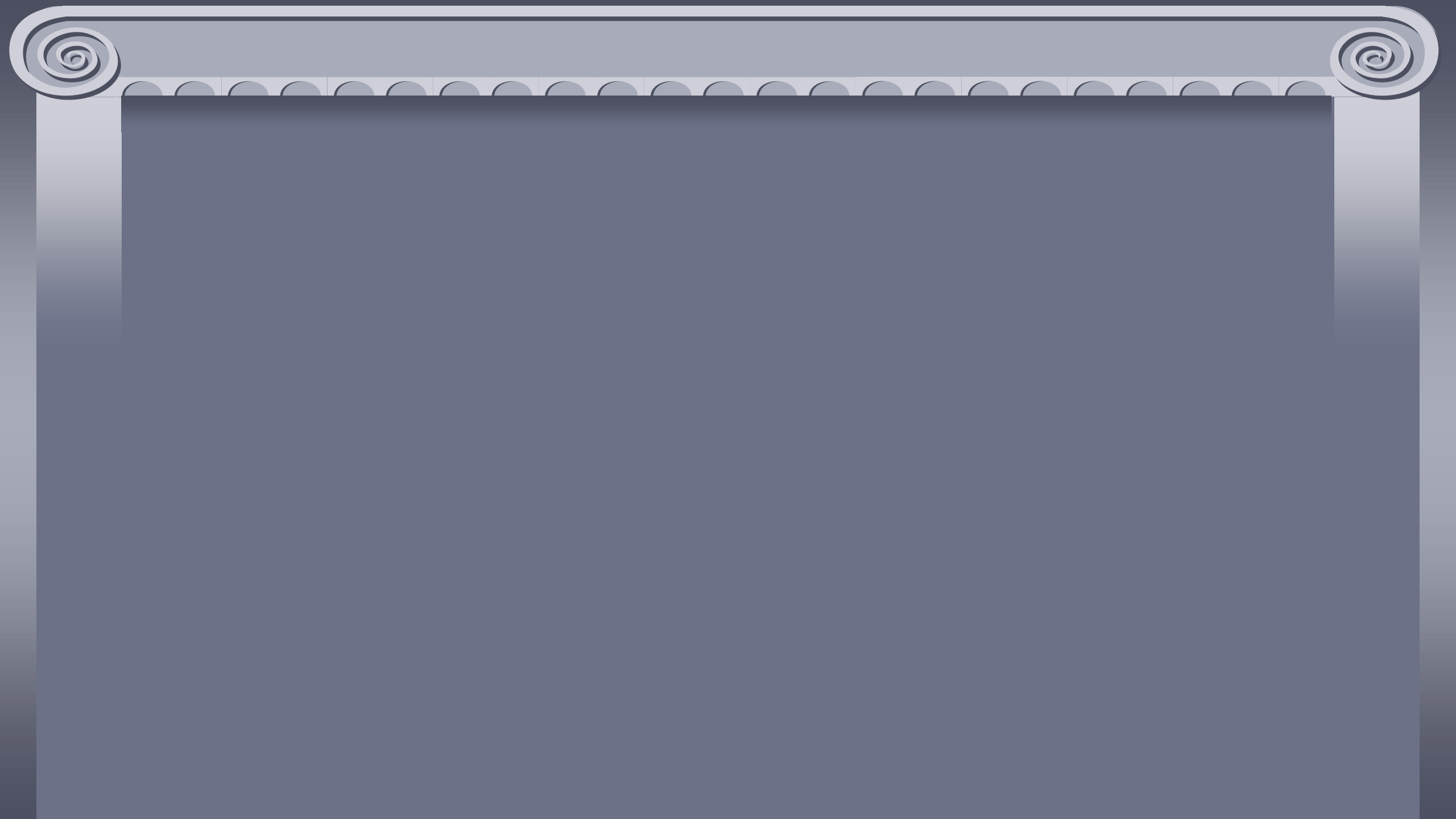


At the time of his death, Shakespeare is said to have written around 37 plays and 154 sonnets. He is also known to have contributed over two thousand words to the English language.



Sniffledorfen

Many people wonder if all of these could have been written by only one man.



Shakespeare's Life and Career




6. William Shakespeare was born in 1564/England in a town called Stratford-upon-Avon. He was born into a respectable family, his father was a bailiff and leather merchant. Shakespeare was relatively well-educated for the time period, although he never attended a university. Shakespeare married a woman named Anne Hathaway when he was 18 and she was 26. They had 3 children. Sometime after his children were born, Shakespeare moved to London to pursue a career in writing. During his career, Shakespeare was an actor, playwright, investor, and theatre owner. He was a part of two theater companies, The Lord Chamberlain's Men and the King's Men. Shakespeare wrote his first play when he was just 25 years old. Shakespeare's career spanned the reigns of both Elizabeth I and James. Shakespeare was rich and well-known by the time of his death in 1616. He had written 37 plays and 154 sonnets. Some scholars question whether all of these famous works were really written by just one man.

None of Shakespeare's plays were published during his lifetime.

He is often referred to as "The Bard"

Shakespeare is also known to have invented around 884 words throughout all of his works.



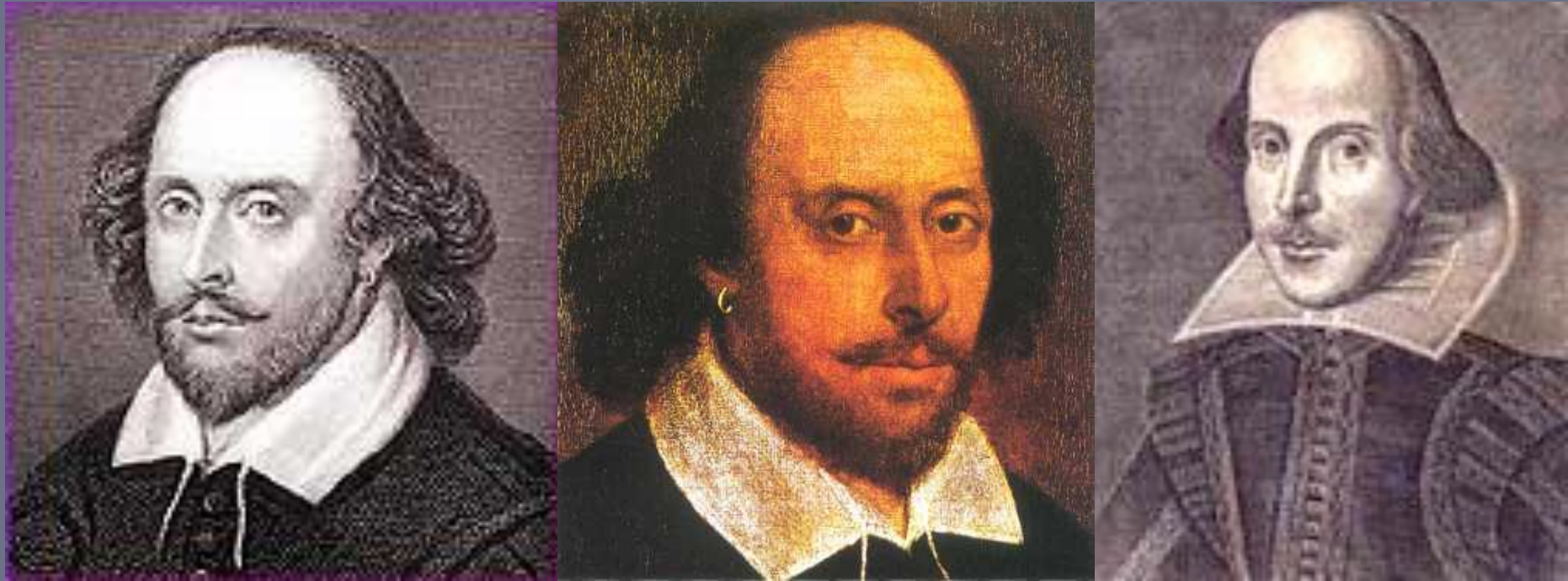


GOOD FRENDE FOR IESVS SAKE FORBEARE,
TO DIGG THE DVST ENCLOSED HEARE.
BLESTE BE Y MAN Y SPARES THESE STONES,
AND CURST BE HE Y MOVES MY BONES.

“Good friend for Jesus sake forbear
To digg the dust enclosed here
Blest be ye man [that] spares these stones
And curst be he that moves my bones.”

THE GRAVE
OF THE POET
WILLIAM
SHAKESPEARE
1564-1616

Which do you prefer?

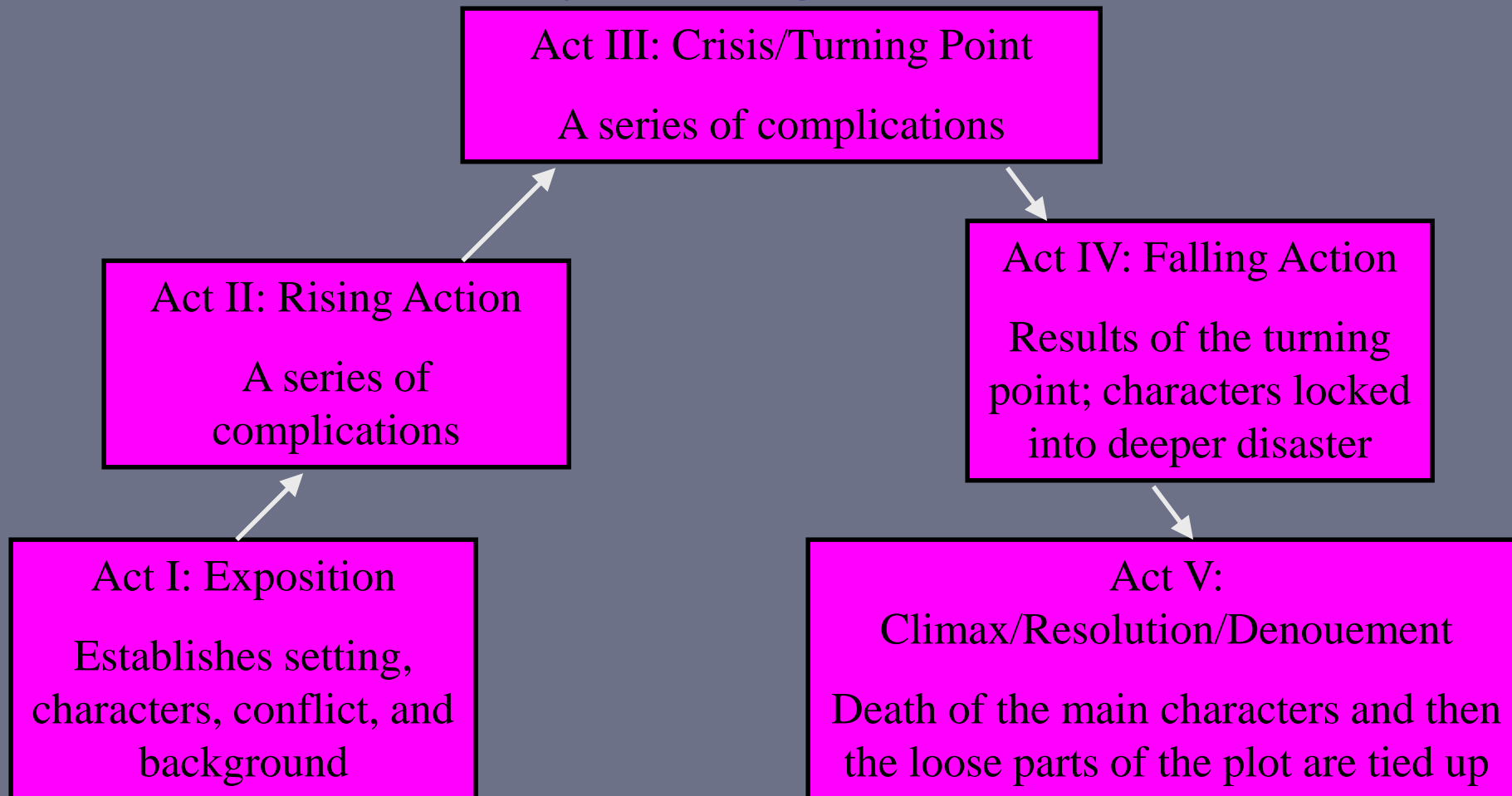


Or.....



7. Although his plays were frequently performed, none of Shakespeare's plays were actually published during his lifetime. Shakespeare is often referred to as "The Bard."
Many of the words we use everyday were invented by Shakespeare.

Shakespeare's 5 Part Storytelling Pattern:



HOMEWORK: A DAY

- DUE Wednesday, 2/8
 - Plan two essays

HOMEWORK: B DAY

- DUE Thursday, 2/9
 - Plan two essays