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William Shakespeare

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WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE

1564 -1616

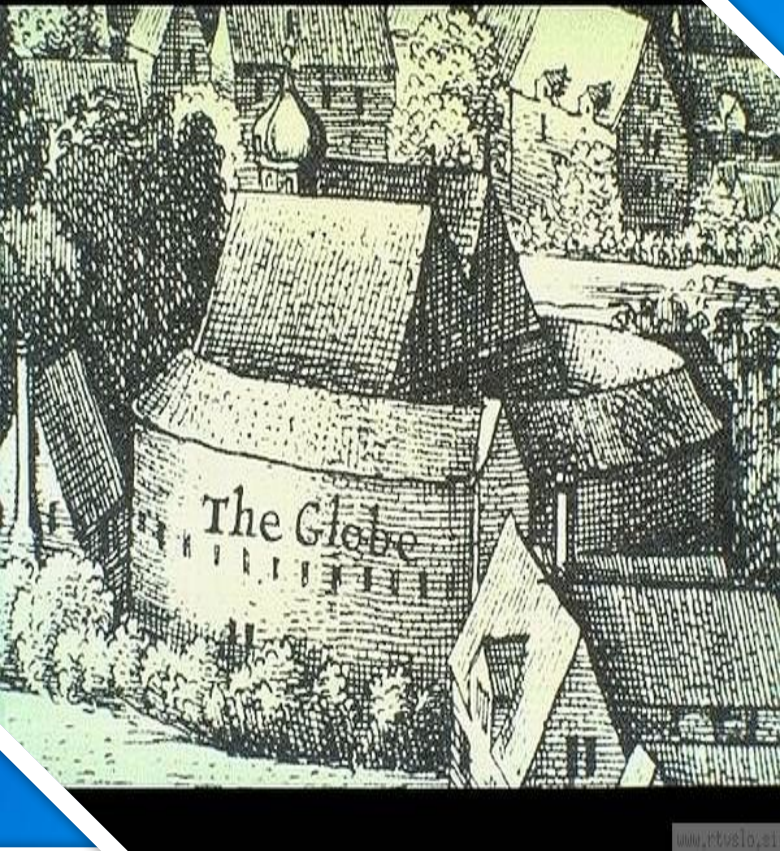




W. Shakespeare, the greatest and most famous English writer and playwright was born on the 23rd of April, 1564, in a small English town Stratford-on-Avon in a family of a glove-maker.



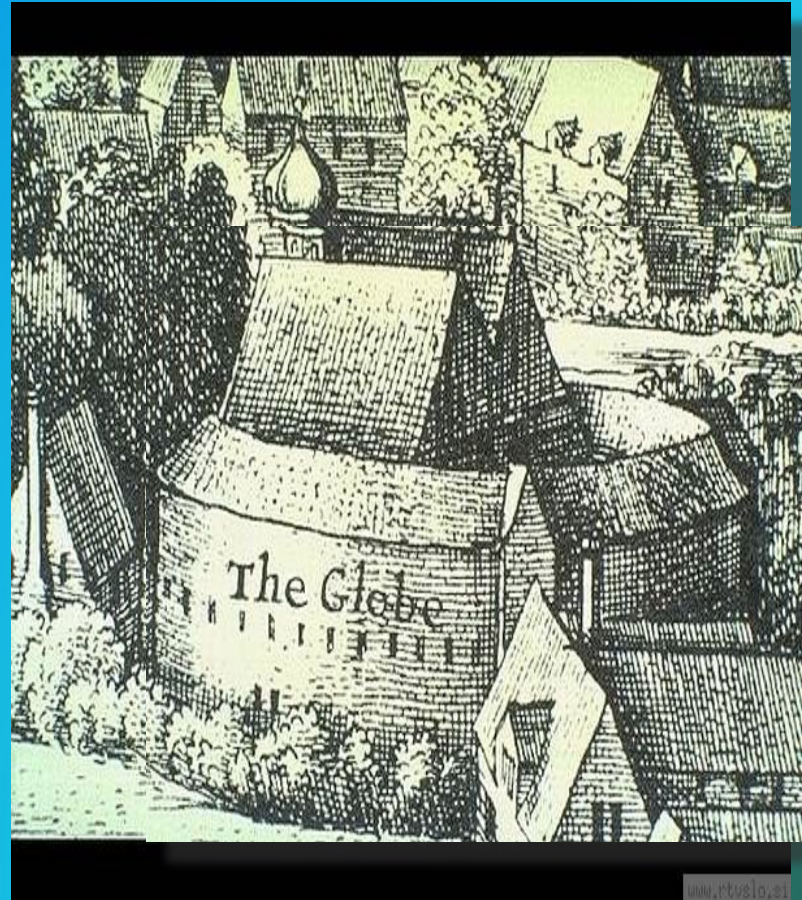
- At the age of 6 to 13 he studied at the grammar school. When the boy studied at school he had no free time. When he had a rest William liked to go to the forest and to the river Avon.



- At that time actors and actresses visited Stratford-on-Avon. William liked to watch them. He was fond of their profession and he decided to become an actor. When he was 21 he went to London. There he became an actor. He began to write plays too. Shakespeare was both an actor and a playwright.



Shakespeare worked in a theatre called «Globe» and he performed many of his plays there.





- Shakespeare wrote 37 plays: 10 tragedies (such as «Hamlet», «King Lear», «Othello» and «Macbeth»), 17 comedies (such as «As You Like It», «Twelfth Night», «Much Ado About Nothing»), 10 historical plays (such as «Henry 4», «Richard 3»). He also left 7 books of poems. His plays and poems have been published in many languages. They are well known among people.



- Shakespeare spent the last years of his life at Stratford, where he died on the same date as his birthday, the 23rd of April, 1616.



He was buried in the church of Stratford. A monument was erected to the memory of the great playwright in the Poet's Corner in Westminster Abbey.



• **1. W. Shakespeare was born in**

...

A. April B. May C. March

D. August

• **2. W. Shakespeare was born in**

...

A. Stratford B. London C. Cardiff

D. New York

• **3. He studied at ...**

A. a university B. a grammar

school C. an artists school D. a

lyceum

• **4. William liked ...**

A. business B. to study C. to work D. to watch actors

• **5. His father was a ...**

A. shoe-maker B. glove-maker C. dress-maker D. house-maker

• **6. Shakespeare went to ... at the age of 21.**

A. London B. Stratford C. Cardiff D. New York

• **7. He wrote ...**

A. tragedies, novels, historical plays, poems and sonnets

B. tragedies and comedies

C. tragedies, comedies, historical plays, poems and sonnets

D. tragedies, poems, novels

• **8. His theatre was called ...**

A. «Earth» B. «Globe» C. «World» D. «Map»

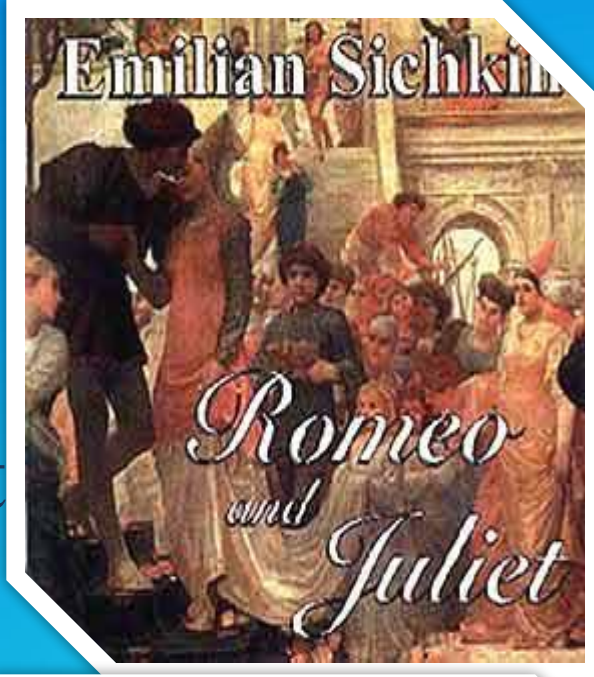
• **9. Shakespeare died in ...**

A. Stratford B. London C. Cardiff D. New York

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Romeo and Juliet is perhaps the most famous of Shakespeare's plays and is thought to be the most famous love story in Western history. It concerns the fate of two very young lovers who would do anything to be together.





ROMEO

JULIET

In the town of Verona, in Italy, there were two rich families, the Capulets and the Montagues.



One day old Capulet made a great
supper and invited many people to it
but no one of the house of the
Montague.



When dancing began, Romeo saw a young and very beautiful girl whom he did not know. That was Juliet and Romeo fell in love with her .



She went up to the window of her room and from there she saw Romeo in the garden.



The next day Romeo and Juliet came to Friar Lawrence and he married them.

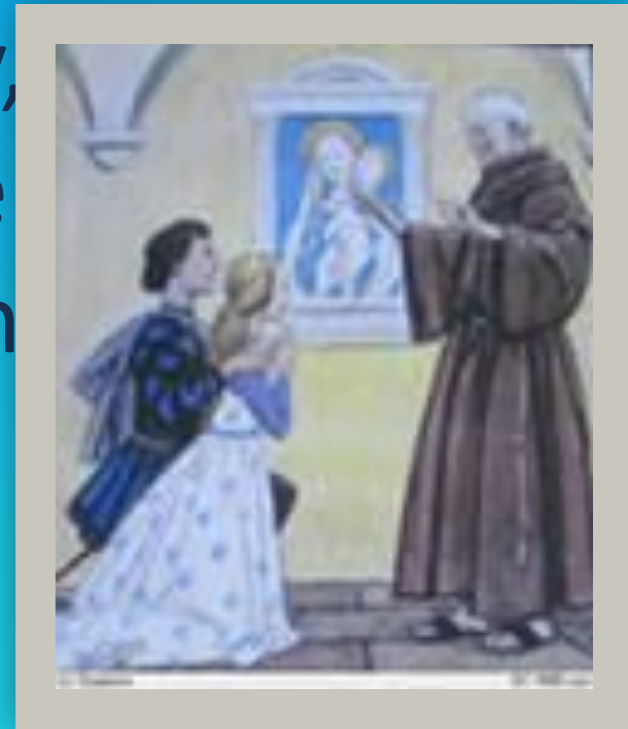


Tybalt killed Romeo's best friend so Romeo fought and killed Tybalt.



Romeo had to leave Verona because he had killed Tybalt. While he was away, Juliet's father decided she had to marry another man in three days' time. Juliet did not know what to do.

She went to see Friar Laurence and together they made a plan.



Juliet would pretend to kill herself. Laurence would then take her 'body' to a safe place and Romeo would join her.



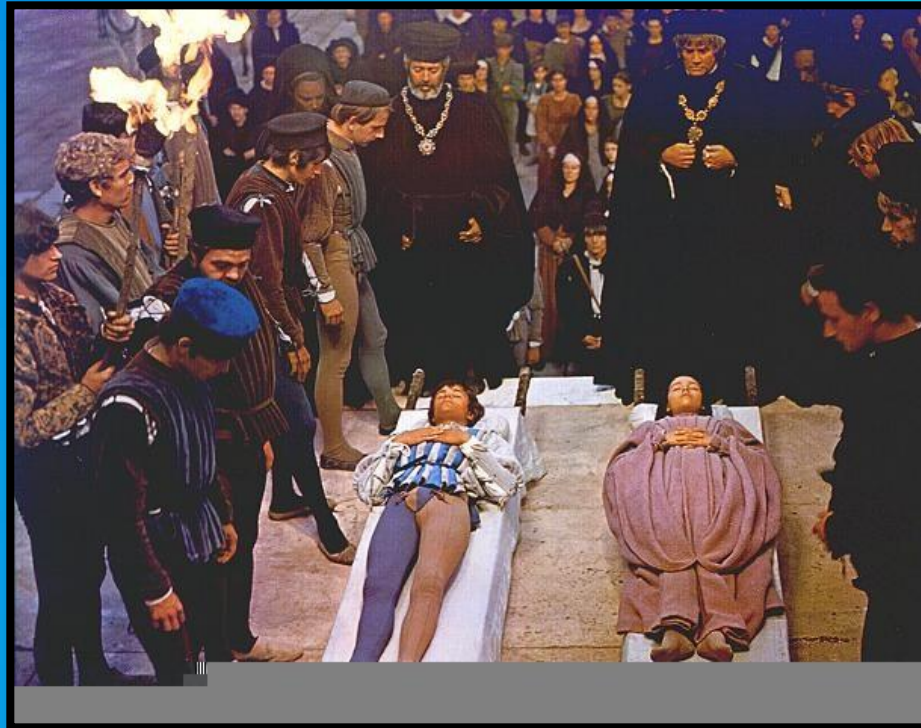
Romeo did not know about the plan and he was so upset when he received the news that Juliet was dead that he bought some poison and rushed to Juliet's tomb



There he drank the poison.
When Juliet woke up, Romeo
was already dead. Juliet took
Romeo's knife and pressed it
into her heart.



When they realized what had happened the fathers were very sad and ashamed. As a result of the tragedy the two families became friends forever.



Answer the following questions.

- Where did the story take place?
- How old were Juliet and Romeo?
- Was Rosaline Juliet's sister?
- Why did a Capulet always fight with a Montague?
- Why did Romeo go to the Capulets one day?
- Why did Tybalt want to fight with Romeo?
- What were Romeo and Juliet talking about in the garden?
- What did Romeo and Juliet decide to do talking in the Capulet's garden?

You are going to make a film about a pair of tragic lovers. Decide the answers to the questions.

- Who were the families? What were their names?
- What did they do?
- Where did the young couple meet?
- What was the tragedy?
- How does the story end?

Write a short summary of your story.

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