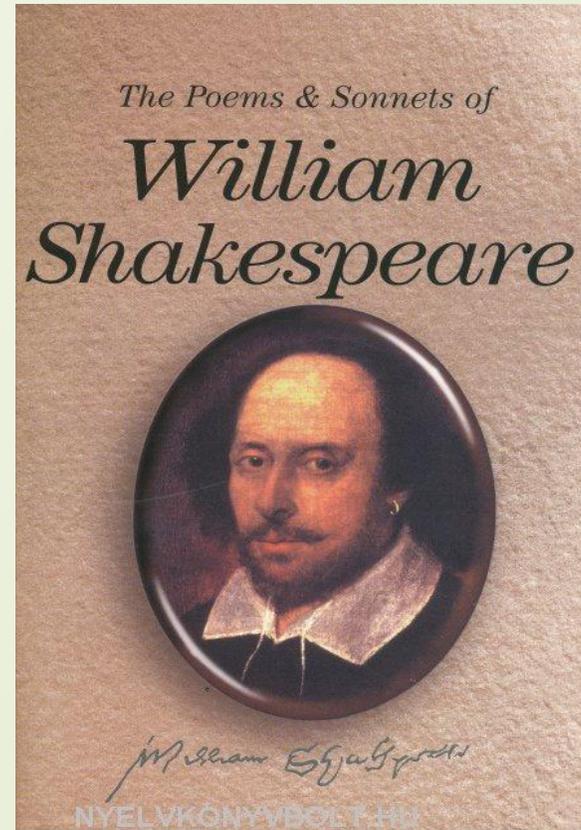


# William Shakespeare

(What do you know about this person?)



# What are Shakespeare's famous works?

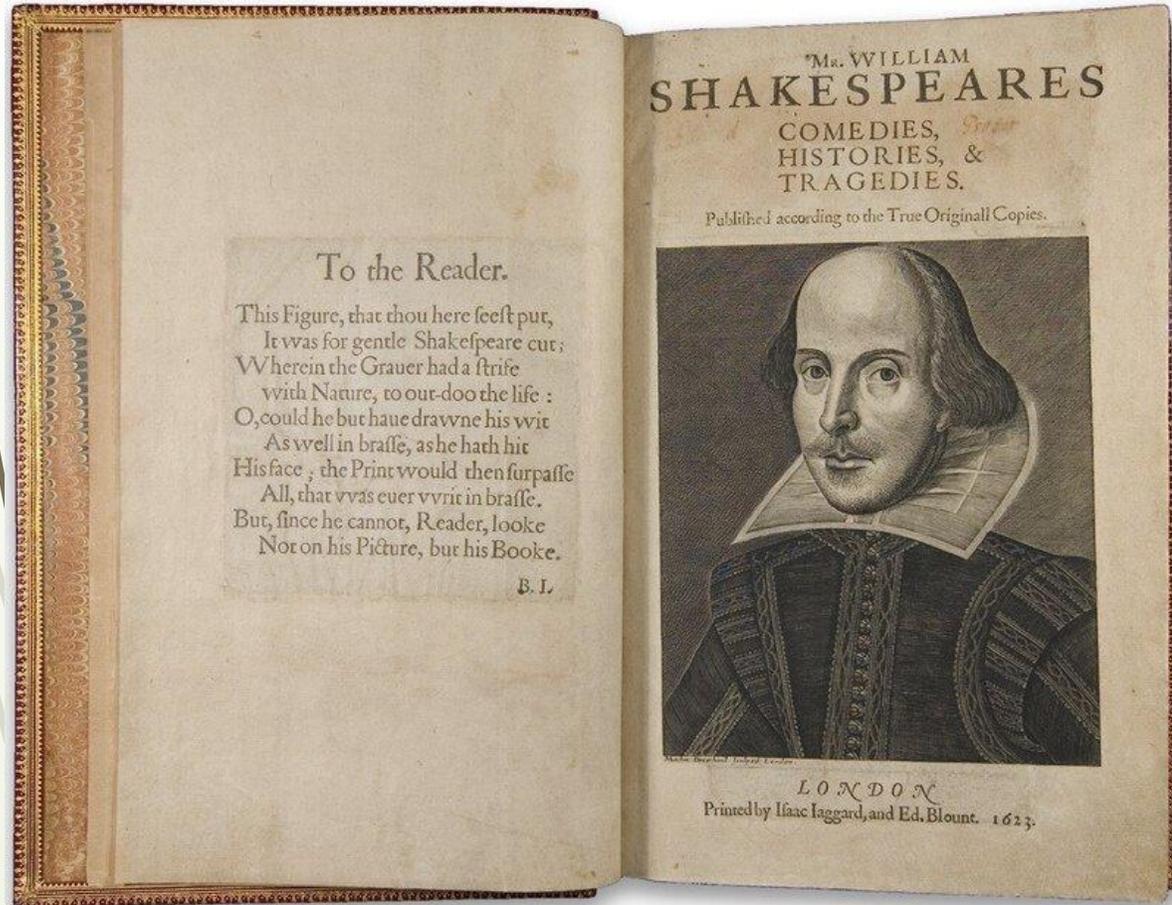


Shakespeare wrote:

- 37 plays;
- 17 comedies,
- 10 historical plays
- 7 books of poems.
- 2 long poems and 154 sonnets.

Most of Shakespeare's plays were not published in his lifetime. So some of them may have been lost in the fire when the "Globe" burnt down in 1613.

# Famous quotations



*To be, or not to be, that is the question.*

*Brevity is the soul of wit.*

*A good heart's worth gold.*

*Love all, trust a few, do wrong to none.*

*Though it be honest, it is never good to bring bad news.*

*Men of few words are the best men.*

*God has given you one face, and you make yourself another.*

*A fool thinks himself to be wise, but a wise man knows himself to be a fool.*

*There is nothing either good or bad but thinking makes it so.*

*The course of true love never did run smooth.*

# Match the words

**Playwright**

**Reign**

**Play**

**Mix-up**

**Mistake one person for another**

**Disguise**

**Merchant**

**Moneylender**

**A pound of flesh**

**Reflect**

**Revenge**

Копия

Месть

Отражать

Судьба

Драматург

Пьеса

Купец

Ростовщик

Маскироваться

Дурно пахнувший

Путаница

Обман

Правление

Фунт плоти

Принять одного человека за другого

# Match the words to their meanings

**Playwright**

**Reign**

**Mistake one person for another**

**Disguise**

**Moneylender**

**A pound of flesh**

**Reflect**

**Revenge**

**Deception**

**Fate**

**hold**

**replica**

- the period of time a queen/king rules a kingdom
- person who lends other people money for a fee
- lies • destiny • trader • person who writes plays
- piece of the body • thinking sb is sb else
- copy • hurting someone who has hurt you
- show • fit • change their appearance

# **Read the text and answer the questions (p.85)**

1. Who was William Shakespeare?
2. When and where was he born?
3. What did he write?
4. What kinds of plays did he write?
5. What were the common themes in his works?
6. Where were his plays performed?
7. How many people did this theatre hold?
8. Who went to the theatre?
9. When and Why did people get wet inside the theatre?
10. What happened in 1613? Was the theatre rebuilt?



**Read the text again and mark the sentences True, False, Not Stated. Prove your point.**

- 1 Shakespeare's plays are only performed and studied in England.
- 2 Shakespeare earned a lot of money.
- 3 *Romeo and Juliet* is a comedy.
- 4 There weren't any women actors in his plays.
- 5 Shakespeare's plays showed what life was like in Elizabethan times.
- 6 The original Globe Theatre was destroyed by fire.

# Be ready to retell the most important facts about William Shakespeare

