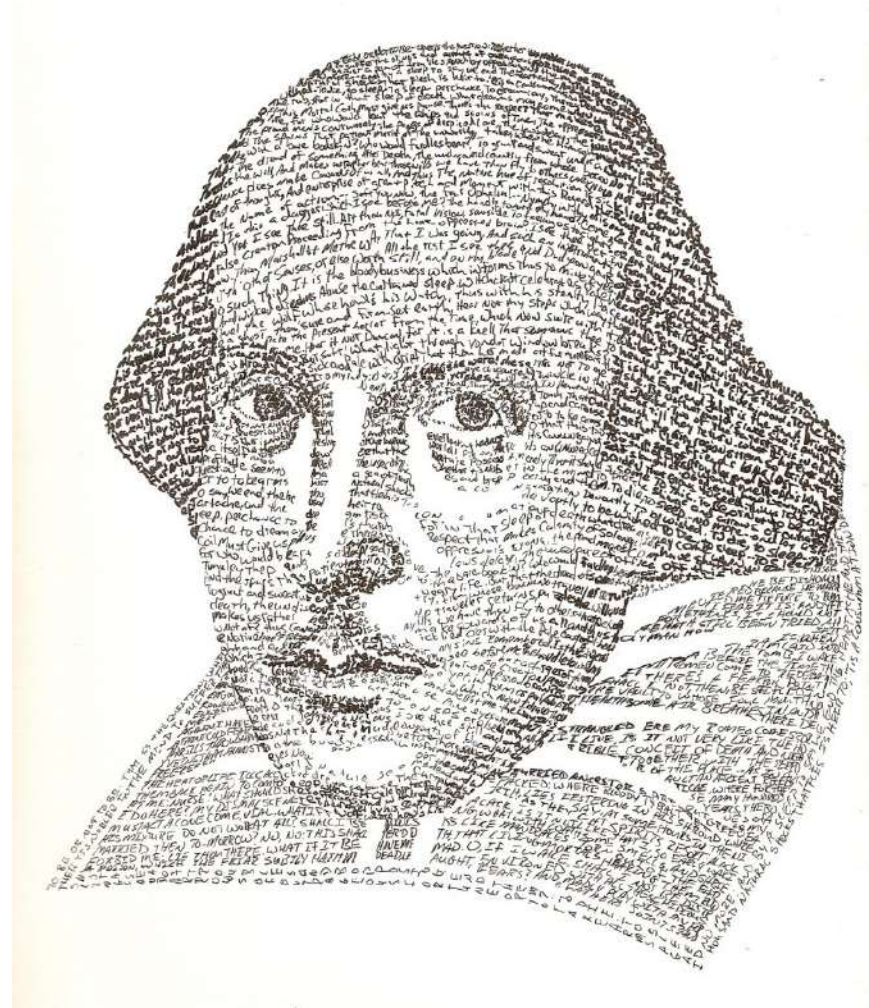


“HE WAS NOT
OF AN AGE,
BUT FOR ALL
TIME.”

--BEN JONSON



William Shakespeare, *the Bard*

Web Quest

By completing this web quest,
you will build background knowledge
by learning about the life and times of

The Bard, William Shakespeare.

In a double entry journal (DEJ) format, complete Web Quest Tasks 1-5.

- On left side of page, write the topic or question being explored.
- On right side of page, record your findings – be thorough!
- Cite all sources in MLA format and include web address.

For your DEJ, you may choose to use

- ☐ A spiral notebook
- ☐ Notebook paper
- ☐ An electronic journal--a double-entry journal template is available on my website on the *Romeo and Juliet* page.

Further instructions . . .

- Conduct research to find, record, and document thorough information in response to each task.
- There are several tasks, so preview each slide before beginning. Pace yourself, maintain focus, and aim to finish!
- Read each task carefully, select links, conduct research, and choose information that best informs on the topic.
- If the provided links are not sufficient for your needs, you may refer to the Romeo and Juliet page on my website for additional links, or you may simply conduct an online search to locate a reliable source.
- **YOU MUST CITE ALL SOURCES IN MLA FORMAT AND INCLUDE THE <WEB ADDRESS>.**

As you work ...

- Keep in mind that you will be asked to write an informational text in MLA format based on your research.
- Avoid being a minimalist in your research. Be thorough—you will gain a plethora of knowledge 😊

TASK 1:

Who is William Shakespeare?

- What did he look like? *Find a picture to copy and paste*
—or you can sketch him later (on your own time) if you'd prefer.
- Record basic biographical information.
- If your task were to introduce Shakespeare to a group of 7th graders, what would you tell them to ensure they have a general introductory understanding of this literary giant?
- In your research so far, what facts have you found most *interesting*? Most *intriguing*? Most **shocking**?
- Why do you think people find WS *fascinating*?
 - <http://www.bardweb.net/study.html>
 - <http://absoluteshakespeare.com/index.htm>
 - <http://www.elizabethan.org/compendium/home.html>

TASK 2:

What was the Globe Theatre?

- Copy/paste a picture (sketch later if you prefer).
- Describe the Globe.
- How was it *different* from theatres today?
- <http://www.newglobe.org/shakesint.swf>
- <http://www.william-shakespeare.info/william-shakespeare-globe-theatre.htm>
- http://www.english.cam.ac.uk/converse/movies/sound_globe.swf
- <http://www.nosweatshakespeare.com/resources/shakespeare-globe-facts/>
- <http://www.bardweb.net/globe.html>

TASK 3: What was life like during Shakespeare's life time—400 years ago in Elizabethan England?

Ah, there's so much to learn . . .

- <http://www.elizabethan.org/compendium/home.html>
- <http://elizabethan.org/compendium/27.html>
- <http://www.pbs.org/shakespeare/locations/location154.html>
- <http://www.bardweb.net/england.html>

TASK 4: Shakespeare was a Playwright. What does this mean?

- How many plays did he write?
- What 3 categories can his plays be divided into?
- Which plays are most famous?

<http://www.opensourceshakespeare.org/views/plays/plays.php>

TASK 5: How has Shakespeare influenced the English language?

- What are some weird, unusual, or new words that Shakespeare brought to the English language? How did he do it?

- <http://www.nosweatshakespeare.com/resources/shakespeare-words/>
- <http://mentalfloss.com/article/48657/20-words-we-owe-william-shakespeare>

Task 5 continued:

Have some word fun!

Find examples of “Shakespearean insults”

<http://www.pangloss.com/seidel/Shaker/index.html>

and create your own Shakespearean insults at:

<http://playingwithplays.com/shakespeare-insult-generator/>

(The 3 columns list of insults is also posted on my website on the Romeo and Juliet page.)

Make a word cloud out of your collection of words that Shakespeare contributed to the English language at:

<http://www.wordle.net/>

<https://tagul.com/>



Got extra time? Check your SIQ!

(Shakespeare Intelligence Quotient!)

- <http://quizlet.com/subject/shakespeare/>
- <https://jeopardylabs.com/play/miss-bankers-romeo-and-juliet-unit-test-review-jeopardy-game>