

Your name is **Shylock** and you live and work in Venice. You are very unhappy because you have no friends. Everybody laughs at you and calls you names because you are Jewish. They also don't like you because you are rich and your business does very well. A young man (who can't stand you) asked you to lend him a lot of money. Now he can't pay you back. You hate this man and you hate his friend too. You want them to be sorry for the awful things they have said to you. What should you do?

Your name is **King Lear**. You are an old man with three daughters and you have been very stupid. A few weeks ago you asked your daughters how much they loved you. Your two older daughters said they loved you very much, but your youngest (and favourite) daughter didn't say enough to make you happy. You were angry with her and told her to leave home. Now your other two daughters have changed. They say you are old and mad and that you can't be king anymore. They have even thrown you out of your house! What should you do?

Your name is **Lady Macbeth**. You really love your husband: he is strong, handsome and a great soldier. The only problem is that he is too happy with his life and he has no ambition. He is clever and strong enough to be King, but he isn't doing anything about it! Old King Duncan is coming to stay at your house tonight. If your husband kills him, he could easily become king and you would be queen. How fantastic! Your husband doesn't want to kill the king, but if he waits any longer it will be too late and your chance will be gone! What should you do?

You are a **priest** in Verona. You try to be very good and you hope that you always do God's work well. You know a young boy in the town. He came to see you yesterday. He says he wants to get married to a girl who is only fourteen. You can see that he loves this girl very much and it seems that she loves him too. If you don't help them, the poor young girl will have to marry a man who her mum and dad have chosen. He is much older than her and you think he is cruel. What should you do?

Your name is **Desdemona** and you come from Venice. Not long ago you met and married an amazing man. He was different from all the other men you had met: he had so many exciting stories about his travels and adventures. It all seemed so perfect! Something has changed though... He watches you all the time. If you speak to another man he comes after you and asks you a hundred questions. He says crazy things and last night he hit you. You are frightened and lonely and you are far from your family. You think your husband wants to kill you. What should you do?