

# Shakespeare

## worksheet

### 1. Shakespeare mind map

What do you know about William Shakespeare? What comes to mind when you think of him?  
Work with your group and make a mind map.



William Shakespeare

## 2. Shakespeare quiz

Work with your team. Read the questions and discuss. Decide the answers together.

1. When was William Shakespeare born?
  - a. 1498
  - b. 1564
  - c. 1895
2. In which period of English history was Shakespeare alive?
  - a. Elizabethan
  - b. Georgian
  - c. Victorian
3. Which of these plays was not written by Shakespeare?
  - a. *Hamlet*
  - b. *Romeo and Juliet*
  - c. *The Taming of the Rat*
4. Where was Shakespeare born?
  - a. Stratford-upon-Avon
  - b. Cambridge
  - c. Oxford
5. How many plays did Shakespeare write?
  - a. 8
  - b. 38
  - c. 108
6. Which type of play did Shakespeare not write?
  - a. Tragedies
  - b. Comedies
  - c. Musicals
7. What's the name of the 'Shakespeare theatre' in London?
  - a. The World Theatre
  - b. The Globe Theatre
  - c. The Old Shakespeare Theatre
8. Who played Romeo in the 1996 film version of *Romeo and Juliet*?
  - a. Leonardo DiCaprio
  - b. Johnny Depp
  - c. Brad Pitt

## 3. Information gap reading

Your teacher will give you a text to read about Shakespeare, but there is some information missing in the text. Work with your partner and write questions to find out the missing information.

Then you will work with a new partner who knows the information you need, and you know the information they need. Take turns to ask and answer each other's questions and complete your texts.

#### 4. Find someone who

Write your own idea for the last row. It should be something you'd like to find out about your classmates.

Talk to your classmates. Ask them each question, e.g. 'Can you name three of Shakespeare's plays?' If they say 'yes', write their name. Ask a follow-up question to get extra information, e.g. 'Which one is your favourite?' Write their answer. Be careful! You can only write a person's name once!

Find someone who ...	Name	Extra information
... can name three of Shakespeare's plays.		
... has seen a film of a Shakespeare play.		
... likes going to the theatre.		
... would like to be a writer.		
... would like to be an actor.		
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What was the most interesting or surprising thing you found out?

#### 5. Complete the Shakespeare quotes

Work with your partner. Match the halves to make some famous Shakespeare quotes.

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| 1. All the world's a stage                              | a. nor a lender be.                               |
| 2. Love is blind  | b. that is the question.                          |
| 3. Neither a borrower                                   | c. what's done is done.                           |
| 4. Good night! Good night! Parting is such sweet sorrow | d. and all the men and women are merely players.  |
| 5. To be, or not to be:                                 | e. wherefore art thou Romeo?                      |
| 6. Things without remedy should be without regard;      | f. never did run smooth.                          |
| 7. The course of true love                              | g. and lovers cannot see.                         |
| 8. O Romeo, Romeo!                                      | h. that I shall say good night till it be morrow. |

Compare with another pair. What do you think they mean?