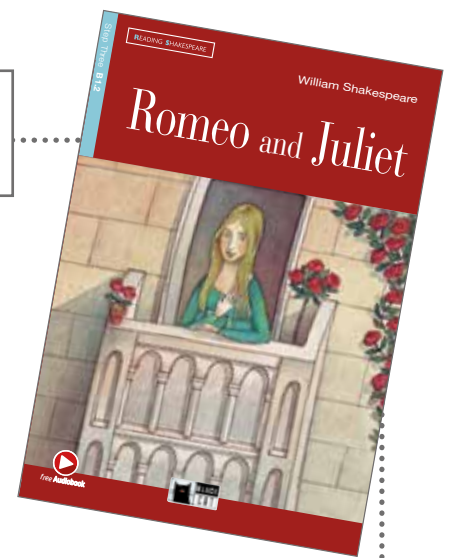


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ROMEO AND JULIET

Worksheet – Part 1 and Part 2

PART ONE

Romeo and Juliet decided to meet secretly. Juliet sent her nurse to give a message to Romeo. Read the extract and then do the activity below.

It was the nurse. Juliet had sent her to find Romeo. 'I must speak alone with you, sir,' she said.

Mercutio laughed. 'Is this your new girlfriend?' he asked.

'Go away,' said Romeo. 'Now, Nurse, what do you want?'

'First of all I want you to promise that you will be kind to Juliet. She is very young. You must not hurt her.'

'I love her.'

'Then what do you want me to tell her?'

'Tell Juliet to come to Friar Laurence's cell¹ this afternoon. We will get married there.'

'I love Juliet, sir. I remember when she was a little child. Look after her when you are her husband.'

The nurse went back to Juliet, who was waiting anxiously. She told her the news.

'Tell your parents that you are going to pray,²' said the Nurse. 'Then go to see Friar Laurence.'

The two lovers go ready for their secret wedding.

In the afternoon the sun was shining. Romeo went secretly to Friar Laurence's cell.

'The day is bright,' said the Friar. 'It is a sign that the future will be happy.'

'I don't care if I die tomorrow. It's enough that Juliet is mine.'

'Don't be so passionate. It's better to love moderately. Then love will last longer.'

At last Juliet arrived. She was very nervous. So was Romeo. They were very young but very much in love. Friar Laurence was like a father to them. He took them into his cell and they were married.

1 **cell** : a small room in which a friar lives.

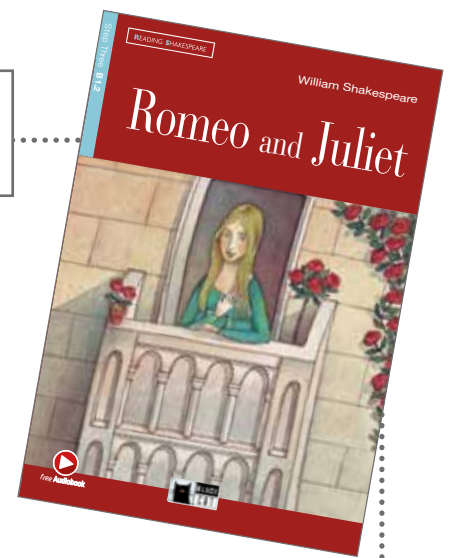
2 **pray** : speak to God.



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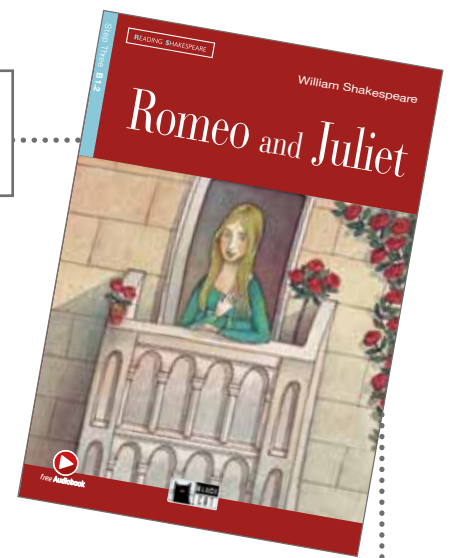
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1. Choose the correct answer – a, b or c.

1. The nurse wanted to talk to
 - a. Juliet.
 - b. Mercutio.
 - c. Romeo
2. In the afternoon Juliet had to
 - a. stay at home with her nurse.
 - b. go to Friar Laurence's cell.
 - c. to go pray.
3. Friar Laurence will
 - a. marry Romeo and Juliet.
 - b. talk to Juliet's Nurse.
 - c. pray in his cell.
4. Friar Laurence said, 'The future will be happy'
 - a. because Romeo and Juliet are young.'
 - b. because it was a bright day.'
 - c. because Romeo and Juliet are lucky.'
5. In the Friar's cell, Romeo and Juliet were both
 - a. worried.
 - b. laughing.
 - c. nervous.



**PART 2****THEME: Love, The Greatest Inspiration!**

Look at what Romeo says about love in Part One: 'Love is a terrible thing, Benvolio. I love and I hate. Love comes from nothing. It is heavy and light, serious and foolish, hot and cold, sick and healthy.'

Romeo tells us that Love is very contradictory and at the same time very inspiring. Love has inspired people to create great literature, poetry, art, music, theatre, dance and even architecture! Let's take a look!

Romeo and Juliet has inspired great musicians like P. Tchaikovsky (1840-1893) and S. Prokofiev (1891-1953) to compose the music of two wonderful ballets that tell the story of the two young lovers through music and dance.

Love inspired the famous Austrian artist Gustav Klimt (1862-1918) to paint his masterpiece, *The Kiss*. This splendid painting shows two lovers as they kiss. Klimt created many other beautiful paintings inspired by love.

Love even inspired a splendid work of architecture: the Taj Mahal, in India. The Emperor Shah Jahan decided to build a huge tomb for the wife he loved dearly. The Taj Mahal was built between 1632 and 1653 and it is an amazing work of architecture, inspired by love.

1. Have you ever seen a ballet by Tchaikovsky or Prokofiev? Have you ever seen the painting. *The Kiss*?
2. Has love ever inspired you to do something special, like write a poem or paint a picture? Tell the class about it.
3. Work in groups and compare situations that are happy and others that are problematic, like the one in *Romeo and Juliet*. Why do certain situations create problems for two young people? How can problematic situations be solved?

Create a debate comparing your ideas with those of your classmates.

