Shakespeare Vocabulary

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Words go across, down or diagonally. No backwards words.

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WORDS TO FIND

BARD
COMEDY
GLOBE
HAMLET
JULIET
MACBETH
OTHELLO
PLAYWRIGHT
QUILL
ROMEO
SOLILOQUY
SONNET
STRATFORD
TEMPEST
TRAGEDY

Learn what each word means on the next page.

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WORD MEANINGS

Read the meanings, then try using a new word in a sentence.

Bard
A poet; Shakespeare is often called the Bard.

Playwright
A person who writes plays for actors to perform.

Sonnet
A poem with fourteen lines, often following a set rhyme pattern.

Soliloquy
A speech in a play revealing a character's private thoughts.

Tragedy
A serious play often ending in suffering or death for important characters.

Comedy
A play that is usually amusing and often ends happily.

Quill
A writing pen made from a feather, used in Shakespeare's time.

Globe
The London theatre associated with Shakespeare and his acting company.

Stratford
The town of Stratford-upon-Avon, where Shakespeare was born.

Hamlet
A tragedy about a Danish prince seeking revenge for his father's death.

Macbeth
A tragedy about a Scottish nobleman whose ambition leads to disaster.

Othello
A tragedy in which jealousy and deception destroy a marriage.

Romeo
The young man who falls in love with Juliet in a Shakespeare tragedy.

Juliet
The young woman whose family opposes her love for Romeo.

Tempest
A violent storm; also the title of Shakespeare's play about Prospero.

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