

Romeo and Juliet

Writing Assignment- Act I

Answer each of the 3 questions below. Each question should have one paragraph explaining the answer. Each paragraph must have at least 5 sentences!

1. Explain the purpose of the Prologue.
2. What major conflicts are established in the first scene?
3. Explain the operation of fate and how it has worked in Scenes 1 and 2 of the play to help bring the two lovers together.
4. We already know this play is a tragedy- a play in which the main characters come to an unhappy end. How do Romeo's and Juliet's reaction in Scene 5, when they learn each other's identity, foreshadow, or give clues to, their tragic end?
5. Explain the importance of irony thus far in the play.

You will be graded on the following:

- >5 complete paragraphs (at least 5 sentences per paragraph)
- >Conventions: spelling, grammar, punctuation, etc.
- >Ideas and content: did you answer the question thoroughly and effectively
- >Organization and neatness
- >Written rough draft AND typed final draft (12 pt font and double spaced, please!)