

## ROMEO AND JULIET

### ACT ONE, SCENE ONE

Read Act One, Scene One and answer the following questions:

1. What does Gregory's line, "The quarrel is between our masters and us, their men," tell us about the feud?
2. What does "I will bite my thumb at them, " mean?
3. Write down the line that reveals Benvolio's peace loving nature.
4. Write down the line which shows that Tybalt's attitude to peace is not the same as Benvolio's.
5. Typical of Shakespeare's poetic imagery is the line:  
*"Madam, an hour before the worshipped sun  
Peered forth the golden window of the east."*  
Explain this in your own words.
6. Re read lines 175 to 185 and find evidence that Romeo's love brings him both sadness and happiness.
7. What is Benvolio's solution to Romeo's problem and what does Romeo think of the suggestion?
8. This scene contains a number of OXYMORONS. That is a phrase that completely contradicts itself. For example, *'feather of lead, bright smoke, sick health...'*  
Write out four of your own oxymorons.