

Romeo and Juliet

Name _____

Memory Passages

Period _____

Choose a combination of passages that adds up to 30 lines total. EVERYONE must memorize the 12-line speech by Juliet (in the box on the back of this sheet). The other 18 lines will come from passages that you choose. Memorize one or more at a time, bring this sheet to me to recite. I'll sign it and give it back, and you will continue this until you are finished. You must recite an entire passage at a time. No credit will be given for reciting only part of a passage.

Act I, Scene 2, Lines 90-95

Romeo.

When the devout religion of mine eye
Maintains such falsehood, then turn tears to fire;
And these who, often drowned, could never die,
Transparent heretics, be burnt for liars.
One fairer than my love? The all-seeing sun
Ne'er saw her match since first the world begun.

_____ out of 6 lines

Act I, Scene 4, Lines 96-100

Mercutio.

True, I talk of dreams,
Which are the children of an idle brain,
Begot of nothing but vain fantasy,
Which is as thin of substance as the air
And more inconstant than the wind [. . .]

_____ out of 5 lines

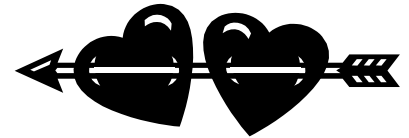
Act I, Scene 4, Lines 106-113

Romeo.

I fear too early, for my mind misgives
Some consequence yet hanging in the stars
Shall bitterly begin his fearful date
With this night's revels, and expire the term
Of a despisèd life closed in my breast
By some vile forfeit of untimely death.
But he that hath the steerage of my course
Direct my sail. On, lusty gentlemen.

_____ out of 8 lines

TOTAL SCORE
out of 30



Act I, Scene 5, Lines 44-49

Romeo.

O, she doth teach the torches to burn bright!
It seems she hangs upon the cheek of night
As a rich jewel in an Ethiop's ear—
Beauty too rich for use, for Earth too dear.
So shows a snowy dove trooping with crows
As yonder lady o'er her fellows shows.

_____ out of 6 lines

Act I, Scene 5, Lines 138-141

Juliet.

My only love sprung from my only hate,
Too early seen unknown, and known too late!
Prodigious birth of love it is to me
That I must love a loathèd enemy.

_____ out of 4 lines

Act II, Scene 2, Lines 2-6

Romeo.

But soft, what light through yonder window breaks?
It is the East, and Juliet is the sun.
Arise, fair sun, and kill the envious moon,
Who is already sick and pale with grief
That thou, her maid, art far more fair than she.

_____ out of 5 lines

Act II, Scene 2, Lines 33-36

Juliet.

O Romeo, Romeo, wherefore art thou Romeo?

Deny thy father and refuse thy name,

Or, if thou wilt not, be but sworn my love,

And I'll no longer be a Capulet.

_____ **out of 4 lines**

Act II, Scene 2, Lines 38-49

Juliet.

'Tis but thy name that is my enemy.

Thou art thyself, though not a Montague.

What's Montague? It is nor hand, nor foot,

Nor arm, nor face, nor any other part

Belonging to a man. O, be some other name.

What's in a name? That which we call a rose

By any other name would smell as sweet.

So Romeo would, were he not Romeo called,

Retain that dear perfection which he owes

Without that title. Romeo, doff thy name,

And, for thy name, which is no part of thee,

Take all myself.

_____ **out of 12 lines**

Act II, Scene 2, Lines 109-115

Juliet.

O, swear not by the moon, th' inconstant moon,

That monthly changes in her circled orb,

Lest that thy love prove likewise variable.

[. . .]

Do not swear at all.

Or, if thou wilt, swear by thy gracious self,

Which is the god of my idolatry,

And I'll believe thee.

_____ **out of 6 lines**

Act II, Scene 2, Lines 184-185

Juliet.

Good night, good night! Parting is such sweet sorrow

That I shall say good night till it be morrow.

_____ **out of 2 lines**

Act II, Scene 6, Lines 9-15

Friar Lawrence.

These violent delights have violent ends

And in their triumph die, like fire and powder,

Which, as they kiss, consume. The sweetest honey

Is loathsome in his own deliciousness

And in the taste confounds the appetite.

Therefore love moderately; long love doth so;

Too swift arrives as tardy as too slow.

_____ **out of 7 lines**

Act V, Scene 3, Lines 305-310

Prince.

A glooming peace this morning with it brings.

The sun for sorrow will not show his head.

Go hence, to have more talk of these sad things;

Some shall be pardoned, and some punished;

For never was a story of more woe

Than this of Juliet and her Romeo.

_____ **out of 6 lines**

Extra Credit

Act II, Scene 5, Lines 4-8

Juliet.

Love's heralds should be thoughts,

Which ten times faster glides than the sun's beams

Driving back shadows over low'ring hills.

Therefore do nimble-pinioned doves draw Love,

and therefore hath the wind-swift Cupid wings.

_____ **out of 3 points**