

Shakespeare / Hamlet Review for Unit 3 Exam

Hamlet – the play

- The play, is it a comedy or tragedy?
- Gertrude: who is she & how does she die?
- Claudius: who is he & how does he die?
- Ophelia: who is she & how does she die?
- Polonius: who is he & how does he die?
- Laertes: who is he and how does he die?
- Where does the play take place?
- What happened to King Hamlet?
- Who is suspected of being guilty of his murder?
- What does the ghost ask Hamlet to do?
- What does the ghost think should be done to Gertrude?
- What does Hamlet do to convince himself of Claudius' guilt?
- Claudius sends Hamlet to England – when Hamlet returns, what is taking place?
- What is Ophelia's mental state after the death of her father?
- Why does Hamlet decide to pretend to be insane?
- Who is the antagonist of the play?
- What is Hamlet's tragic flaw?
- Who is the Tragic Hero of the play?
- Who will take over as king of Denmark once Claudius is killed?
- Who is left to tell the story of what happened to Hamlet?
- Who is the contriver of the plot to kill Hamlet?
- What is happening during the catastrophe of the play?
- There will be sequence questions

William Shakespeare

- Year of birth, year of death, place of birth?
- How many plays did he write?
- What college did he attend?
- What country calls Shakespeare their most famous playwright?
- What social class did WS grow up in?
- What did WS's father do for a living?
- WS has a total of how many children?
- William Shakespeare made money three different ways, name them.
- Shakespeare did not have a male heir to leave his estate to...why not?
- During the time of WS, women were not allowed to perform on stage; how did they fill the female roles?