

# PLOT SYNOPSIS for **ROMEO & JULIET**

THE LONG-STANDING HATRED BETWEEN THE MONTAGUE AND CAPULET FAMILIES IGNITES CONTINUED VIOLENCE IN THE CITY OF VERONA



**ROMEO**  
A MONTAGUE

SIGH ROSALINE HAS REJECTED MY LOVE!

COMPARE HER FACE WITH SOME THAT I SHALL SHOW, AND I WILL MAKE THEE THINK THY SWAN A CROW.



HIS COUSIN  
**BENVOLIO**

AT A COSTUME PARTY AT THE CAPULET HOUSE THAT EVENING...

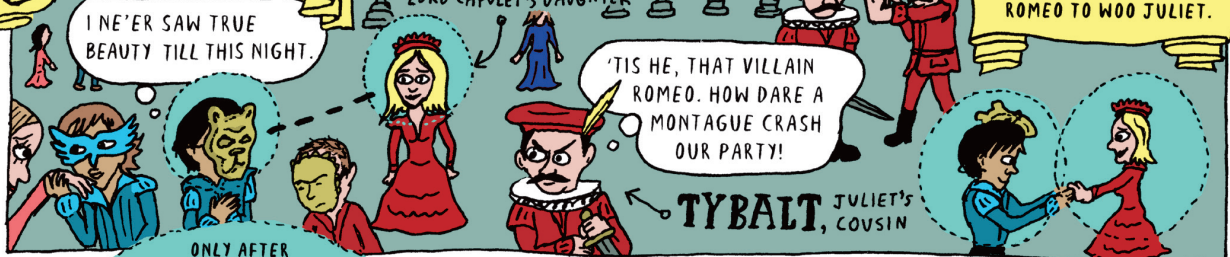
I NE'ER SAW TRUE BEAUTY TILL THIS NIGHT.

**JULIET**  
LORD CAPULET'S DAUGHTER

LORD CAPULET FORBIDS HIM TO FIGHT IN HIS HOUSE, UNINTENTIONALLY FREEING ROMEO TO WOO JULIET.

'TIS HE, THAT VILLAIN ROMEO. HOW DARE A MONTAGUE CRASH OUR PARTY!

**TYBALT**, JULIET'S COUSIN



ONLY AFTER THEY HAVE FALLEN IN LOVE DO THEY DISCOVER EACH OTHER'S IDENTITIES

IS SHE A CAPULET?

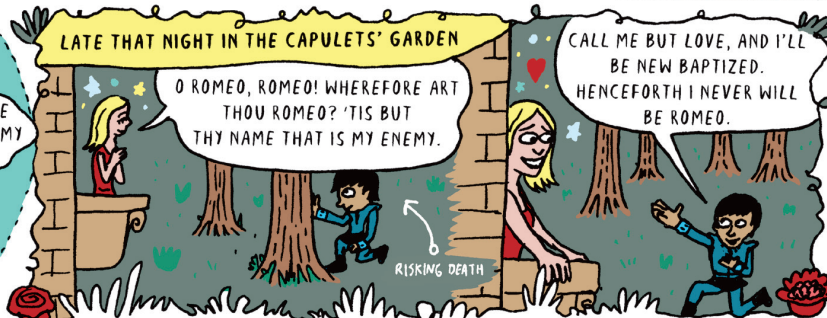
MY ONLY LOVE SPRUNG FROM MY ONLY HATE!



LATE THAT NIGHT IN THE CAPULETS' GARDEN

O ROMEO, ROMEO! WHEREFORE ART THOU ROMEO? 'TIS BUT THY NAME THAT IS MY ENEMY.

CALL ME BUT LOVE, AND I'LL BE NEW BAPTIZED. HENCEFORTH I NEVER WILL BE ROMEO.



RISKING DEATH

THEY MAKE A PLAN TO WED IN SECRET THE NEXT DAY.

PARTING IS SUCH SWEET SORROW THAT I SHALL SAY GOODNIGHT TILL IT BE MORROW.



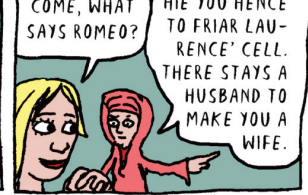
AT DAWN, ROMEO RACES TO FRIAR LAURENCE, ASKING HIM TO MARRY THEM. SEEING THE POTENTIAL TO ABSOLVE THE FAMILIES' LONG-STANDING FEUD, THE FRIAR AGREES TO HELP.



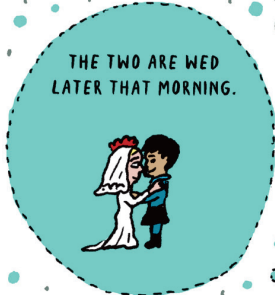
ROMEO SENDS WORD TO JULIET THROUGH HER NURSE

COME, WHAT SAYS ROMEO?

HIE YOU HENCE TO FRIAR LAURENCE' CELL. THERE STAYS A HUSBAND TO MAKE YOU A WIFE.



THE TWO ARE WED LATER THAT MORNING.



RETURNING HOME FROM THE WEDDING, ROMEO ENCOUNTERS THE HOtheaded TYBALT HARASSING HIS BEST FRIEND, MERCUTIO...

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ROMEO! THOU ART A VILLAIN. VILLAIN I AM NONE.

BOY, THIS SHALL NOT EXCUSE THE INJURIES THAT THOU HAST DONE ME. THEREFORE TURN AND DRAW.



