

End of Course Practice – Romeo and Juliet

Read the selection carefully and answer the questions.

Friar Laurence: Hold, then, go home, be merry, give consent

1. To marry Paris. Wednesday is tomorrow.
2. Tomorrow night look that thou lie alone,
3. Let not thy nurse lie with thee in thy chamber.
4. Take thou this vial, being then in bed,
5. And this distilled liquor drink thou off,
6. When presently through all thy veins shall run
7. A cold and drowsy humor; for no pulse
8. Shall keep his natural progress, but stop.
9. No warmth, no breath, shall testify thou livest.
- 10 The roses in thy lips and cheeks shall fade
- 11 To paly ashes, thy eyes windows fall,
- 12 Like death when he shuts up the day of life.
- 13 Each part, deprived of supple government,
- 14 Shall stiff and stark and cold, appear like death.
- 15 And in this borrowed likeness of shrunk death
- 16 Thou shalt continue two and forty hours,
- 17 And then awake as from a pleasant sleep.

Answer the Questions:

1. What does Friar Laurence tell Juliet to do regarding Paris?
2. Why isn't the nurse to be asleep in the same room as Juliet?
3. What is Juliet to take?
4. What evening is she to do this?

5. What will be the effect of her action?
6. “The roses in your cheeks”, “thy eye’s windows fall” are examples of what literary device?
7. What literary technique is used in line 14?
8. What is meant by the words in line 15?
9. How long will Juliet remain in that condition?
10. At the end of that time period, what will happen?

