

Text 2

Read the text below and answer the questions.

Shakespeare and his contributions to English phrases	1
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William Shakespeare gave the world more than just the plays, poems and verses	3
he brought to the stage and printed word, but also the phrases and words he	4
created, are used in every day confersation. You may recognise most of them,	5
but never knew where they came from. The names of each play have been put	6
in bold next to the quote.	7
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1. "To be, or not to be: that is the question." Hamlet	9
2. "All the world's a stage, and all the men and women merely players.	10
They have their exits and their entrances; And one man in his time plays	11
many parts." As you Like it	12
3. "O Romeo, Romeo! Wherefore art thou Romeo?" Romeo and Juliet	13
4. "Now is the winter of our discontent." Richard III	14
5. "Is this a dagger which I see before me, the handle toward my hand?"	15
Macbeth	16
6. "Be not afraid of greatness. Some are born great, some achieve	17
greatness, and some have greatness thrust upon 'em." Twelfth Night	18
7. "If you prick us, do we not bleed? If you tickle us, do we not laugh? If you	19
poison us, do we not die? And if you wrong us, shall we not revenge!"	20
The Merchant of Venice	21
8. "The course of true love never did run smooth." A Midsummer Night's	22
Dream	23
9. "If music be the food of love, play on." Twelfth Night	24
10. "Shall I compare thee to a summer's day? Thou art more lovely and	25
more temperate." Sonnet 18 (Poem)	26
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These are taken from across all of Shakespeare's plays, and these are only a few	28
of his quotes and sayings. It is estimated that Shakespeare gave us 100s of	29
phrases, words and idioms, although some scholars may contest that a lot of	30
them were phrases which were popular at the _____, then merely written into	31
the plays to entertain the audiences.	32
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So, should you ever find yours 'tongue-tied' or a "green-eyed monster",	34
remember you are speaking the language of Shakespeare.	35

11. **The purpose of this text is to:**
a. persuade people to speak like Shakespeare
b. educate people on Shakespeare's language
c. inform people of a local performance of a play
12. **Which quote in the text is not from a play:**
a. Hamlet (1)
b. Sonnet 18 (10)
c. Romeo and Juliet (3)
13. **According to the text, what do scholars contest about Shakespeare's quotes:**
a. Shakespeare did not write his own plays
b. his well-known phrases were popular at the time
c. his quotes are incorrect
14. **What is meant by the phrase 'brought to stage and printed word'**
a. developed into plays and books
b. spending money on Shakespeare at the theatre
c. writing poetry in the style of Shakespeare
15. **The word 'idioms' on line 30 can be replaced with:**
a. expressions
b. thoughts
c. ideas
16. **A punctuation error has been made on Line 20, what should be in place of '!':**
a. .
b. ?
c. -
17. **A word has been deleted from line 31. It should be:**
a. time
b. event
c. play
18. **A spelling mistake has been made on:**
a. Line 3
b. Line 4
c. Line 5
19. **A grammatical error has been made on:**
a. Line 31
b. Line 22
c. Line 34
20. **What does 'tongue-tied' mean:**
a. At a loss for words
b. Talking too fast
c. Expressing yourself