

William Shakespeare – Romeo and Juliet

Complete the sentences below with suitable adverbs from the box.

Angrily anxiously beautifully comically immediately kindly loudly lovingly
 passionately sadly stupidly violently

Romeo fell in love with Juliet _____
 The Prince spoke _____
 Benvolio behaved _____
 Tybalt fought _____
 The nurse called _____
 Juliet thought about Romeo _____
 The servants behaved _____
 Romeo and Juliet loved each other _____
 At the party, Juliet danced _____
 Lady Montague asked about Romeo _____

In each sentence, put one of the verbs in the past perfect and one in the past simple.

Romeo _____ (be) in love with Rosaline before he _____ (see) Juliet.
 Tybalt _____ (challenge) Romeo to fight because he _____ (go) to the Capulets' party.
 After Tybalt _____ (kill) Mercutio, Romeo _____ (lose) control.

The Verona Times – read the newspaper article below and choose the correct word for each space. And write it.

Tragic death of young lovers.

In the middle _____⁰ of the night, three deaths occurred at the Tomb of the Capulets; The watchman discovered the body of count Paris outside _____¹ Capulets' tomb. There was an even _____² sight inside. Juliet of the Capulets and Romeo of the Montagues _____³ dead. _____⁴ understood what had happened until Friar Laurence _____⁵ his story. We now know that the teenagers were in love but had _____⁶ the truth _____⁷ their families had been enemies for centuries. They had got married _____⁸ each other secretly. But when her parents ordered her to marry Paris, Juliet didn't know _____⁹ to do. Read more about this tragedy in _____¹⁰ newspaper.

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| 0 – a) of | b) at | c) in | d) by |
| 1 – a) of | b) the | c) a | d) from |
| 2 – a) worst | b) baddest | c) worsen | d) worse |
| 3 – a) laid | b) lying | c) lay | d) lied |
| 4 – a) everybody | b) all | c) nobody | d) none |
| 5 – a) said | b) discussed | c) told | d) told |
| 6 – a) hided | b) hidden | c) hid | d) hiding |
| 7 – a) although | b) because | c) when | d) after |
| 8 – a) for | b) with | c) by | d) to |
| 9 – a) how | b) which | c) what | d) why |
| 10 – a) tomorrow's | b) next | c) following | d) later |

Put the following word in the correct part of the text:

balcony	celebrate	families	him	Mantua
banishes	dead	forty-two	killed	marry
beauty	death	hours	lips	stop
bed	end	Friar Laurence	love	Verona (2x)

The chorus sets the scene as Verona where two _____ (1) the Montagues and the Capulets, feud¹. The play then erupts onto the streets of _____ (2) and the brawl² between the families. The Prince of Verona intervenes to _____ (3) the fighting and old Capulet agrees to betroth³ his daughter, Juliet, to the Prince's young kinsman⁴, Paris. Old Capulet arranges a masked ball to _____ (4).

Young Romeo Montague and his friends, including the witty Mercutio, sneak into the ball to get a glimpse of Rosaline Capulet, the object of Romeo's unrequited⁵ _____ (5). Instead, Romeo meets Juliet Capulet, Rosaline's cousin, and is overwhelmed by her _____ (6).

Later that night, Romeo, lingering⁶ below Juliet's _____ (7), overhears Juliet's avowal⁷ of love for _____ (8).

He makes himself known to her and the pair resolve to _____ (9), the following night. Friar Laurence and Juliet's nurse agree to help them, hoping the union will _____ (10) the feud. Romeo and Juliet are secretly married by _____ (11). The next day, Mercutio taunts⁸ Tybalt Capulet, Juliet's cousin, a hot-tempered young man, and the two begin to fence⁹. Romeo tries to break up the fight but Tybalt fatally wounds Mercutio. Romeo kills Tybalt in revenge and the Prince _____ (12), Romeo from _____ (13), to _____ (14),.

Romeo and Juliet spend their wedding night together before Romeo flees¹⁰ to Mantua.

Juliet's wedding to Paris is arranged.

Desperate, Juliet asks Friar Laurence for help. He advises her to take a sleeping potion which will make her seem _____ (15), for _____ (16). The Friar will send a message to Romeo in Mantua so can then rescue her from the family tomb when she awakens. Juliet goes ahead with the plan and is found, apparently dead, in her _____ (17). The Friar's message does not reach Romeo, and he hears only of Juliet's _____ (18).

Grief-stricken, Romeo rushes back to Verona and creeps into the Capulet tomb where he meets Paris. The two fight and Paris is _____ (19). Romeo lays down besides Juliet's body, takes poison, and dies. Not long after, Juliet regains consciousness and finds Romeo dead. Heartbroken, she tries to take the poison from his _____ (20) with a kiss but death alludes¹¹ her. So she stabs herself and dies. As the bodies are discovered, Friar Laurence explains the story to the Prince, who lambastes¹² the families whose feuding has brought about this tragedy. Horrified by the sorry situation the Montagues and the Capulets end their feud.

¹ feud = hádka

² brawl = hádka, rvačka

³ betroth = zasnoubit, zaslíbit

⁴ kinsman = mužský příbuzný

⁵ unrequited = neopětovaný (o lásce)

⁶ linger = otálet, setrřávat, ještě zůstat

⁷ avowal = přiznání

⁸ taunt = posmívat se někomu, dobírat si někoho

⁹ fence = zápasit, šermovat

¹⁰ flee = útéct

¹¹ allude = vyhnout se

¹² lambaste = ostře kritizovat, vyhubovat