

Reading Comprehension: A Midsummer Night's Dream (in powerpoint form)

Monday:

Read through the Whole Class Reading words which contains key topic words for the play. Use it just like you would in the classroom, create an action for each word!

When you have read all the words, in your book, write each word in bubble writing and draw a picture that will help you remember the word.

Tuesday:

A Midsummer Night's Dream is a play by William Shakespeare. The exact date the play was written is unknown. It is generally accepted that the play was written in 1595 or 1596. It was first printed in 1600.

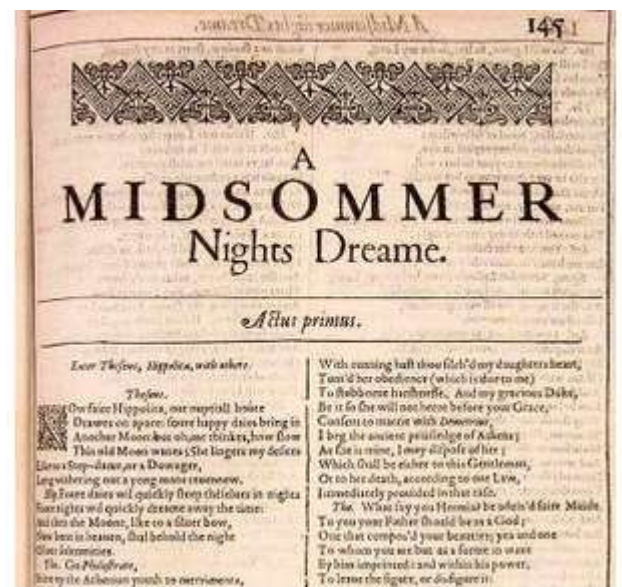
It is generally believed that the play was written for the festivities surrounding the aristocratic marriage of either Elizabeth Vere, Lord Burghley's granddaughter, in 1595, or Elizabeth Carey, daughter of Sir George Carey, in 1596.

The play is about four confused young people, a group of clumsy workmen, the royal court of Duke Theseus, and the royal fairy court of King Oberon and Queen Titania. The play is set mostly at night in the woods near Athens.

Read through the powerpoint, stopping at points to discuss with a member of your family. Who are the characters? What is the play about?

Watch this video on youtube, the play has been made into a song:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/english-ks2-ks3-a-midsummer-nights-dream-by-william-shakespeare-animation/zfsqxyc>



Wednesday:

Write the answers to these questions in your Home Working book or on paper. This play is complicated with lots of characters.

1. Where is the play set?
2. How many characters are there in the play?
3. Who does Hermia really want to marry and where do they run away to?
4. Who loves Demetrius ?
5. Name 2 things that Puck does to be mischievous?
6. Who does Queen Titania wake up and fall in love with?
7. How does Puck sort out the mess?
8. Who does Helena marry at the end of the play?
9. Who is your favourite character and why?

It has also been made into a play which is on BBC iplayer, we started watching this in class, you can watch the ending here:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/b078jltg/cbeebies-presents-a-midsummer-nights-dream>