

English 9

Romeo and Juliet

Act V Review Questions

1. Romeo and Paris meet up at Juliet's tomb and fight. Paris dies. Is this necessary to the play's overall plot? Why or why not?
2. Read Romeo's speech, lines 34-57 on page 376, (Act V, scene I). What is he saying here, what is his plan?
3. What do you think Romeo meant when he said, "then I defy you, stars!" after learning of Juliet's death?
4. Go to the page on Theme. After reading the definition and reading through the themes mentioned, choose at least two themes for Romeo and Juliet which you think stand out. How do these themes come across to you, the reader/audience? Give examples from the play.
5. Friar Lawrence's last speech, a monologue, summarizes all the actions for everyone on stage. Re-read his lines, 229-269, Act V Scene iii, and paraphrase his words, explaining the events in your own words.