Celebrating Shakespeare’s Plays
Over 400 Years of Drama
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The Bard of Avon

One of my sixth grade teachers introduced me to Shakespeare’s plays. I can still remember him telling my class that we were going to put on a really fun play called *Hamlet*. It had ghosts, murder and romance and that we’d get to learn how to sword fight. Putting on *Hamlet* was every bit as fun as he promised it would be. We all enjoyed it so much that our class put on *The Taming of the Shrew* during our Summer vacation.

I know what you’re thinking. Why on Earth did 12 year old Ms. Furey give up her Summer break to put on a 400 year old play? That’s easy. Ghosts. Murder. Romance. Sword fighting! Shakespeare wrote plays that are amazingly fun to read, watch and perform. I hope this list will inspire you to give the Bard a try. I’m sure you’ll like him as as much as I do.

--Ms. Furey
Shakespearean Characters
Thomas Stothard, painter (1755-1834)
Tate Gallery, London, England
Shakespeare's Plays

by William Shakespeare

The Complete Works of Shakespeare
by William Shakespeare

The Complete Illustrated Stratford Shakespeare
by William Shakespeare

All's Well That Ends Well (Folger Shakespeare Library)
by William Shakespeare
Shakespeare's Plays

Antony and Cleopatra (Folger Shakespeare Library) by William Shakespeare

As You Like It (Folger Shakespeare Library) by William Shakespeare

The Comedy of Errors (Folger Shakespeare Library) by William Shakespeare

Coriolanus (Folger Shakespeare Library) by William Shakespeare
Shakespeare's Plays

Cymbeline
(Folger Shakespeare Library)
by William Shakespeare

Hamlet
(Folger Shakespeare Library)
by William Shakespeare

Henry IV, Part I
(Folger Shakespeare Library)
by William Shakespeare

Henry IV, Part II
(Folger Shakespeare Library)
by William Shakespeare
Shakespeare's Plays

Merry Wives of Windsor
(Folger Shakespeare Library)
by William Shakespeare

A Midsummer Night's Dream
(Folger Shakespeare Library)
by William Shakespeare

Much Ado About Nothing
(Folger Shakespeare Library)
by William Shakespeare

Othello
(Folger Shakespeare Library)
by William Shakespeare
Shakespeare's Plays

The Taming of the Shrew (Folger Shakespeare Library) by William Shakespeare

The Tempest (Folger Shakespeare Library) by William Shakespeare

Timon of Athens (Folger Shakespeare Library) by William Shakespeare

Titus Andronicus (Folger Shakespeare Library) by William Shakespeare
Shakespeare’s Plays

Troilus and Cressida (Folger Shakespeare Library) by William Shakespeare

Twelfth Night (Folger Shakespeare Library) by William Shakespeare

The Two Gentlemen of Verona (Folger Shakespeare Library) by William Shakespeare

Winter’s Tale (Folger Shakespeare Library) by William Shakespeare
The Play Scene In Hamlet - Act III Scene 2
Edwin Austin Abbey, painter (1852-1911)
Yale University, New Haven, CT
Spanish Translations of Shakespeare’s Works

Comedias (Obra completa Shakespeare 1) (Spanish Edition) by William Shakespeare

Tragedias (Obra completa Shakespeare 2) (Spanish Edition) by William Shakespeare

Dramas históricos (Obra completa Shakespeare 3) (Spanish Edition) by William Shakespeare

Romances (Obra completa Shakespeare 4) (Spanish Edition) by William Shakespeare
Spanish Translations of Shakespeare's Works

- Poesías (Obra completa Shakespeare 5) (Spanish Edition) by William Shakespeare
- Romeo y Julieta (Spanish Edition) by William Shakespeare
- El Libro de Shakespeare (Spanish Edition) by DK
- Las obras completas de William Shakespeare (Spanish Kindle Edition) by William Shakespeare
Othello, the Moor of Venice
James Northcote, painter (1746–1831)
Manchester Art Gallery

David Garrick as Richard III
William Hogarth, painter (1697-1764)
Walker Art Gallery

Othello, the Moor of Venice
James Northcote, painter (1746-1831)
Manchester Art Gallery
Full Cast Audios of Shakespeare’s Plays

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Scene from A Midsummer Night’s Dream
Sir Edwin Landseer, painter (1802-1873)
National Gallery of Victoria
Middle School Fiction

Illustrated Stories from Shakespeare by William Shakespeare

Tales from Shakespeare by Charles & Mary Lamb

King of Shadows by Susan Cooper

Usborne Complete Shakespeare by Maria Surdican
Middle School Fiction

A Stage Full of Shakespeare Stories by Angela McAllister and Alice Lindstrom

Pop-up Shakespeare: Every Play and Poem in Pop-up 3-D by The Reduced Shakespeare Company

Beautiful Stories from Shakespeare for Children by E. Nesbit and Arthur Rackham

Tales from Shakespeare by Marcia Williams
Middle School Fiction

OMG Shakespeare Boxed Set: YOLO
Juliet; srsly Hamlet; Macbeth #killing it
by Courtney Carbone

Stage Fright on a Summer Night: Magic Tree House #25
by Mary Pope Osborne

Secrets of Shakespeare’s Grave: The Shakespeare Mysteries, Book 1
by Deron R. Hicks

Tower of the Five Orders: The Shakespeare Mysteries, Book 2
by Deron R. Hicks
Middle School Fiction

The Invisible Hand: Shakespeare's Moon, Act I by James Hartley

Cold Fire: Shakespeare's Moon, Act II by James Hartley

William Shakespeare's Star Wars: Verily, A New Hope Book 4 of 9 by Ian Doescher

The Wednesday Wars by Gary D. Schmidt
Middle School Fiction

Twenty Shakespeare Children's Stories by William Shakespeare and Macaw Books

Romeo & Juliet by Macaw Books

Othello by Macaw Books

Hamlet by Macaw Books
Middle School Fiction

**Poor Tom’s Ghost**
by Jane Louise Curry

**The Black Canary**
by Jane Louise Curry

**The Long-Lost Secret Diary of the World’s Worst Shakespearean Actor**
by Tim Collins

**Elizabeth I: Red Rose of the House of Tudor, England, 1544 (The Royal Diaries)**
by Kathryn Lasky
Miranda—The Tempest
John William Waterhouse, painter (1849-1917)
Private Collection
High School Fiction

The Year Shakespeare Ruined My Life by Dani Jansen

Noughts & Crosses (Royal Shakespeare Company/NHB Modern Plays) by Malorie Blackman

Hamnet by Maggie O'Farrell

Ophelia by Lisa Klein
High School Fiction

- Saving Hamlet by Molly Booth
- Shakespeare's Younger Sister by Geoffrey Craig
- Red Velvet: (Modern Plays) by Lolita Chakrabarti
- The Book of Sand and Shakespeare's Memory by Jorge Luis Borges
High School Fiction

Vinegar Girl:
William Shakespeare's The Taming of the Shrew Retold: A Novel by Anne Tyler

Hag-Seed:
William Shakespeare's The Tempest Retold: A Novel by Margaret Atwood

Dunbar:
William Shakespeare's King Lear Retold: A Novel by Edward St. Aubyn

Shakespeare in Love: A Screenplay by Marc Norman and Tom Stoppard
High School Fiction

William Shakespeare's Get Thee Back to the Future! by Ian Doescher

William Shakespeare's The Taming of the Clueless: Pop Shakespeare by Ian Doescher

The Great St Mary's Day Out: A Chronicles of St Mary's short story by Jodi Taylor

That Way Madness Lies: 15 of Shakespeare's Most Notable Works Reimagined by Dahlia Adler
YOLO Juliet: OMG Shakespeare by William Shakespeare and Brett Wright

srsly Hamlet: OMG Shakespeare by William Shakespeare and Courtney Carbone

A Midsummer Night #nofilter: OMG Shakespeare by William Shakespeare and Courtney Carbone

Macbeth #killingit: OMG Shakespeare by William Shakespeare and Courtney Carbone
Romeo and Juliet Farewell
Eleanor Fortescue-Brickdale, painter (1871-1945)
Private Collection

Romeo and Juliet
Jennie Harbour, illustrator (1893-1959)
Postcard
printed by Raphael Tuck & Sons
Middle School Nonfiction

What's So Special About Shakespeare? by Michael Rosen

Shakespeare for Every Day of the Year by Allie Esiri

The Shakespeare Book: Big Ideas Simply Explained by DK

Eyewitness: Shakespeare: Explore the Life of History's Most Famous Playwright... by DK
Great Characters from Shakespeare: Paper Dolls by Tom Tierney

Mapping Shakespeare’s World by Peter Whitfield

Globe Education Shakespeare: Romeo and Juliet by Globe Education

Globe Education Shakespeare: Macbeth by Globe Education
Middle School Nonfiction

Shakespeare A to Z: The Essential Reference to His Plays, His Poems, His Life and Times, and More by Charles Boyce

Shakespeare's Gardens by Shakespeare Birthplace Trust

Tudor and Elizabethan Fashions (Dover Fashion Coloring Book) by Tom Tierney

Shakespeare Illustrated: Art by Arthur Rackham, Edmund Dulac, Charles Robinson and Others by Jeff A. Menges
Middle School Nonfiction

You Wouldn’t Want to Be a Shakespearean Actor!
by Jacqueline Morley

Elizabethan Cross Stitch
by Barbara Hammet
As You Like It (3 panels)
Arthur Hughes, painter (1832-1915)
Walker Art Gallery
High School Nonfiction

Shakespeare's Kings: The Great Plays and the History of England in the Middle Ages: 1337-1485
by John Julius Norwich

1603: The Death of Queen Elizabeth I, the Return of the Black Plague, the Rise of Shakespeare, Piracy, Witchcraft, and the Birth of the Stuart Era
by Christopher Lee

Shakespeare's Wife
by Germaine Greer

Shakespeare For Dummies
by John Doyle and Ray Lischner
High School Nonfiction

The Millionaire and the Bard: Henry Folger's Obsessive Hunt for Shakespeare's First Folio by Andrea Mays

Shakespeare's First Folio: Four Centuries of an Iconic Book by Emma Smith

William Shakespeare: The Complete Plays in One Sitting by Joelle Herr

Monty Python, Shakespeare and English Renaissance Drama by Darl Larsen
High School Nonfiction

Unearthing Shakespeare: Embodied Performance and the Globe by Valerie Clayman Pye

Worlds Elsewhere: Journeys Around Shakespeare’s Globe by Andrew Dickson


Shakespeare's Insults: Educating Your Wit by Wayne F. Hill and Cynthia J. Ottchen
High School Nonfiction

Shakespeare Saved My Life by Laura Bates

Shakespeare in a Divided America: What His Plays Tell Us About Our Past and Future by James Shapiro

Shakespeare: The Invention of the Human by Harold Bloom

Lectures on Shakespeare by W. H. Auden
High School Nonfiction

Will Power: How to Act Shakespeare in 21 Days by John Basil

The Elizabethan Image: An Introduction to English Portraiture, 1558-1603 by Roy Strong

Fashion in the Time of William Shakespeare: 1564-1616 by Sarah Jane Downing

Historic Costumes and How to Make Them (Dover Fashion and Costumes) by Mary Fernald
High School Nonfiction

The Time Traveler's Guide to Elizabethan England by Ian Mortimer
African Theatre: Shakespeare in and out of Africa by Martin Banham
Women of Will: The Remarkable Evolution of Shakespeare's Female Characters by Tina Packer
Tudor Fashion by Eleri Lynn
High School Nonfiction

How To Be a Tudor: A Dawn-to-Dusk Guide to Tudor Life by Ruth Goodman

Shakespeare's Flowers in Stumpwork by Jane Nicholas

Botanical Shakespeare: An Illustrated Compendium of All the Flowers, Fruits, Herbs ... by Gerit Quealy

Shakespeare After All by Marjorie Garber
Cordelia’s Portion (King Lear)
Ford Maddox Brown, painter (1821-1893)
Southampton City Art Gallery, England
Middle School Biography

What’s So Great About Shakespeare?: A Biography of William Shakespeare
Just for Kids!
by Sam Rogers

The Pre-Raphaelite Language of Flowers
by Debra N. Mancoff

Elizabeth I, the People’s Queen: Her Life and Times
by Kerrie Logan Hollihan
Valentine Rescuing Silvia from Proteus (The Two Gentlemen of Verona)

William Holman Hunt, painter (1827-1910)

Birmingham City Museum and Art Gallery, England
High School Biography

*Shakespeare: The World as Stage* by Bill Bryson

*The Lodger* by Charles Nicholl

*Shakespeare: The Biography* by Peter Ackroyd

*William Shakespeare: An Intimate Look Into The Life Of The Most Brilliant Writer In The History Of The English Language* by Michael W. Simmons
High School Biography

Soul of the Age: A Biography of the Mind of William Shakespeare by Jonathan Bate

Will in the World: How Shakespeare Became Shakespeare by Stephen Greenblatt

The Life of Elizabeth I by Alison Weir

IRA Aldridge by Martin Hoyles
Great Shakespeare Actors: Burbage to Branagh by Stanley Wells

A Year in the Life of William Shakespeare: 1599 by James Shapiro

Julius Caesar and Me: Exploring Shakespeare's African Play by Paterson Joseph

The Shipment and Lear: Two Plays by Young Jean Lee
King Lear: Cordelia’s Goodbye
Edward Austin Abbey, painter (1852-1911)
Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York City
Graphic Novels & Manga

Brick Shakespeare by John McCann, Monica Sweeney, et al.


Brick Shakespeare: The Tragedies - Hamlet, Macbeth, Romeo and Juliet, and Julius Caesar by John McCann, Monica Sweeney, et al.

Romeo and Juliet (Shakespeare Classics Graphic Novels) by Gareth Hinds
Graphic Novels & Manga

Manga Shakespeare: Othello by William Shakespeare and Richard Appignanesi

Manga Shakespeare: King Lear by William Shakespeare and Richard Appignanesi

Manga Shakespeare: Romeo and Juliet by William Shakespeare and Richard Appignanesi

Manga Shakespeare: Julius Caesar by William Shakespeare and Richard Appignanesi
Graphic Novels & Manga

Manga Shakespeare: The Merchant of Venice
by William Shakespeare and Richard Appignanesi

Manga Shakespeare: Twelfth Night
by William Shakespeare and Richard Appignanesi

Manga Shakespeare: Much Ado About Nothing
by William Shakespeare and Richard Appignanesi

Manga Shakespeare: Macbeth
by William Shakespeare and Richard Appignanesi
Graphic Novels & Manga

Manga Shakespeare:
Henry VIII
by William Shakespeare and Richard Appignanesi

Manga Shakespeare:
A Midsummer Night’s Dream
by William Shakespeare

Manga Shakespeare:
Hamlet
by William Shakespeare and Richard Appignanesi

Manga Shakespeare:
Richard III
by William Shakespeare and Richard Appignanesi
Graphic Novels & Manga

Manga Shakespeare: As You Like It by William Shakespeare and Richard Appignanesi

Manga Shakespeare: The Tempest by William Shakespeare and Richard Appignanesi

Manga Classics Romeo and Juliet by William Shakespeare and Crystal Chan

The Merchant of Venice (Shakespeare Classics Graphic Novels) by Gareth Hinds
Graphic Novels & Manga

The Tempest Graphic Novel
by John McDonald and William Shakespeare

Macbeth
(Shakespeare Classics Graphic Novels)
by Gareth Hinds

King Lear
(Shakespeare Classics Graphic Novels)
by Gareth Hinds

Graphic Shakespeare
by Penny Clarke, Michael Ford, et al.
Graphic Novels & Manga

Kill Shakespeare
Volume 1:
Collects KILL SHAKESPEARE #1-6
by Conor McCreery

Kill Shakespeare
Volume 2:
Collects KILL SHAKESPEARE #7-12
by Conor McCreery

Julius Caesar
(Shakespeare Graphics)
by William Shakespeare and Eduardo Garcia

Manga Classics
Hamlet
by William Shakespeare and Crystal Chan
Illustrations for The Merchant of Venice, the Oxford Edition
Sir James Dromgole Linton, illustrator (1840-1916)
Great Britain: Hodder and Stoughton, publisher, 1914
Shakespeare's Sonnets

Shakespeare’s Cats: The Complete Sonnets for the Literary Cat-Lover
by William Shakespeare

All the Sonnets of Shakespeare
by William Shakespeare

Complete Sonnets (Dover Thrift Editions)
by William Shakespeare

Pop Sonnets: Shakespearean Spins on Your Favorite Songs
by Erik Didriksen
Ophelia
Sir John Everett Millais, painter (1829-1896)
Tate Gallery, London, England
Shakespeare-Related Places

Shakespeare’s Globe Theatre in London, England

Shakespeare Birthplace Museum in Stratford-Upon-Avon, England

The Folger Shakespeare Library in Washington, DC
Shakespeare-Related Places

Anne Hathaway’s Cottage in Shottery, England

Shakespeare’s grave in Holy Trinity Church, Stratford-Upon-Avon, England
Findaaggrave.com

Shakespeare’s New Place in Stratford-Upon-Avon, England
Shakespeare-Related Places

9 Virtual Tours of Shakespearean Spots - Google Arts & Culture

The Old Globe Theatre in Balboa Park, San Diego, CA
Henry V
Kinuko Y. Craft, illustrator (1940-present)
Book Jacket for Washington Square Press

Lewis Waller (1860–1915), as Henry V
Arthur Hacker, painter (1858–1919)
Royal Shakespeare Theatre,
Stratford-upon-Avon
Shakespeare-Related Websites


Shakespeare’s Will is in the collection of the National Archives of the United Kingdom.

The Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) has provided free access to digital versions of all of Shakespeare’s works on their website since 1993.
Open Source Shakespeare: hosted by George Mason University allows you to search the full text of Shakespeare’s works. Great for finding quotes.

MyShakespeare.com Has a limited number of plays, but handy tools let you annotate, listen to the play read aloud and more. Designed for students.

Shakespeare-Related Websites


Shakespeare’s Life and Times: A short Biography on the Royal Shakespeare Company’s website.

The Folger Library has a wide variety of podcasts, recordings and lectures related to Shakespeare that can be listened to for free.
The Three Witches—MacBeth
Henry Fuseli (AKA: Johann Heinrich Füssli), painter (1741-1825)
Kunsthaus, Zürich
There have been so many adaptations of Shakespeare’s plays for both film and television that it takes a lot of space to list them all. Wikipedia has a very good list that lists each play in alphabetical order. The adaptations of that play are then listed in order by the year they were released. This is a great list that includes Silent Films from the earliest days of Cinema, Academy Award winners and adaptations from nations around the world. Click on the picture to go to the list.
Films & TV Inspired by Shakespeare

Renaissance Man
1994 | PG-13 | CC

West Side Story
Starring: Natalie Wood, Richard Beymer, Russ Tamblyn and Rita Moreno
1961 | NR | CC

Shakespeare & Hathaway Private Investigations
Filmed in Stratford-Upon-Avon for BBC TV
2018-Present | PG | CC

Shakespeare in Love
Starring: Gwyneth Paltrow and Joseph Fiennes
1999 | R | CC
Documentaries

Shakespeare Uncovered:  
Series 1  
2013 | TV-14 | CC

Shakespeare Uncovered:  
Series 2  
2015 | TV-14 | CC

Shakespeare Uncovered:  
Series 3  
2018 | TV-14 | CC
Documentaries

**Thug Notes: Shakespeare & Epic Poetry**
Starring: Greg Edwards
2018 | NR | CC

**How to Read and Understand Shakespeare**
2013 | TV-PG | CC

**Shakespeare: The King’s Man**
2012 | NR | CC
Cleopatra
John William Waterhouse, painter (1849-1917)
Private collection

Antony and Cleopatra
Kinuko Y. Craft, illustrator (1940-present)
Book Jacket for Washington Square Press
Alphabetical List of Shakespeare’s Plays

All's Well That Ends Well (1602)
Antony and Cleopatra (1606)
As You Like It (1599)
Comedy of Errors (1589)
Coriolanus (1607)
Cymbeline (1609)
Hamlet (1600)
Henry IV, Part I (1597)
Henry IV, Part II (1597)
Henry V (1598)
Henry VI, Part I (1591)
Henry VI, Part II (1590)
Henry VI, Part III (1590)
Henry VIII (1612)
Julius Caesar (1599)
King John (1596)
Alphabetical List of Shakespeare's Plays

King Lear (1605)
Love's Labour's Lost (1594)
Macbeth (1605)
Measure for Measure (1604)
Merchant of Venice (1596)
Merry Wives of Windsor (1600)
Midsummer Night's Dream (1595)
Much Ado about Nothing (1598)

Othello (1604)
Pericles (1608)
Richard II (1595)
Richard III (1592)
Romeo and Juliet (1594)
Taming of the Shrew (1593)
Tempest (1611)
Timon of Athens (1607)
Alphabetical List of Shakespeare’s Plays

Titus Andronicus (1593)
Troilus and Cressida (1601)
Twelfth Night (1599)
Two Gentlemen of Verona (1594)
Winter’s Tale (1610)

Recreation of The Globe Theatre in London, England
The Globe Theatre, with the Thames and St Paul’s Cathedral
Arthur Keene, painter (b.1930)
Shakespeare Birthplace Trust
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