



The Young Shakespeareans

A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM SYNOPSIS GAME

WHAT'S THE ORDER? TEACHER'S ANSWER KEY

Theseus, the ruler of Athens, is going to marry Hippolyta, the next day. All of Athenian society is preparing for the wedding.

Hermia's father Egeus orders Hermia to marry Demetrius, but Hermia loves Lysander. Demetrius loves Hermia and Helena loves Demetrius. Hermia and Lysander run away to the woods to get married in secret.

The King and Queen of the fairies, Oberon and Titania, fight over the custody of a little boy. Oberon plans revenge, a love potion to make Titania fall in love with the first thing she sees. Puck is sent to find a magic flower to make the potion.

Oberon sees Demetrius being mean to Helena. He tells Puck to put some of the potion in Demetrius' eyes so that he will love Helena. Puck finds a young man asleep, but it is the wrong young man. He puts the potion in Lysander's eyes by mistake.

Helena is the first person Lysander sees when he wakes up and he instantly falls in love with her. Lysander no longer loves Hermia.

Puck puts the potion into Demetrius' eyes. Demetrius falls in love with Helena too. Helena thinks it's a cruel joke that both Lysander and Demetrius are in love with her.

Puck turns Bottom's head into a donkey. Puck puts love potion in Titania's eyes. Titania wakes up and sees Bottom. She falls in love with Bottom because of the potion.

Oberon orders Puck to make things right with the young lovers. Puck puts the potion into Lysander's eyes so that Lysander will fall in love with Hermia again. Demetrius will remain in love with Helena. Oberon puts a spell on the young lovers so that they will fall asleep and think it has all been a strange dream.

The young lovers get married in a joint ceremony with the Duke of Athens and his new bride. Bottom and his friends put on a terrible but hilarious play, a love story about Pyramus and Thisbe.

Pyramus and Thisbe are in love and speak to each other through a chink in the wall. They agree to meet in secret. A lion frightens Thisbe and tears her veil. Pyramus finds her torn veil with blood stains on it and assumes the lion has killed her, so he kills himself. When Thisbe finds Pyramus's body, she kills herself.

Puck hopes the audiences have enjoyed the play - if not, to pretend it was all a dream.

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