Shakespeare - Vocab Cards

Bard]>

a name for the English writer William Shakespeare. He wrote poetry and plays.

Calling Shakespeare the _Bard_ is a high honor that shows his place in literary history.



Use this word in a sentence or give an example to show you understand its meaning:

Make a connection between this word and another word or idea:

comedy]>

a narrative with a happy ending; a work of art meant to make people laugh.

I just want to laugh when I go out to see shows, so I often choose a _comedy_.

Antonyms: tragedy

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demise]>

death; end.

He would not recover from the illness. It would lead to his _demise_.

Antonyms: birth



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figurative language]>

language that means something other than its literal meaning and expresses ideas in vivid ways.

Similes and metaphors are examples of _figurative language_, as they do not mean what they literally say, and they make writing more colorful.

She's as happy as a clam.

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flaw]>

a slight fault; a defect.

Because of a _flaw_ in the stitching, my jacket started falling apart very quickly.

Synonyms: defect, fault, imperfection Antonyms: excellence, strength



Use this word in a sentence or give an example to show you understand its meaning:

Draw this vocab word or an example of it:

history]>

a play based on true events from the past, such as the lives of England's kings.

I saw a performance of "Henry V," which is based on true events in England. I thought a _history_ would be boring, but it was very entertaining!



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resonate]>

to evoke agreement within a person, possibly because it speaks to their own experience or issues.

The speech _resonated_ deeply with the audience. Many remembered the power of her words for years.



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tragedy]>

a play or story that deals with serious themes and ends sadly, usually with the death or downfall of the main character.

This play is a _tragedy_ because the main characters die at the very end.



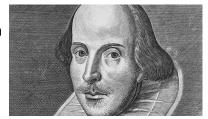
Antonyms: comedy

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William Shakespeare]>

an English poet and playwright who worked during the 16th and 17th centuries. His famous works include Hamlet, Romeo and Juliet and As You Like It.

We still read the works of _William Shakespeare_, even though the English playwright died centuries ago.



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wordplay]>

the use of words in a playful or witty way.

Hip-hop is full of clever _wordplay_, like when Big L raps, "I'm so ahead of my time my parents haven't met yet."

Don't spell part backwards. It's a trap.

Why was Cinderella thrown off the basketball team? She ran away from the ball.

I'd tell you a chemistry joke but I know I wouldn't get a reaction.

I'm glad I know sign language, it's pretty handy.

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