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Open Note Quiz Monday 4/30

Period_____

Shakespearean Theater Web Quest

Utilizing your brilliant internet skills research and respond to the following questions.

Shakespeare's Life

1. When and where was Shakespeare born?
2. Describe his upbringing and education.
3. Where did Shakespeare move to pursue his career?
4. What is the meaning of the word "BARD"?
5. Who was he married to? What was their age difference? Why is this odd for this time period?
6. When and where did Shakespeare die?
7. Why do we still read his works today? (Hint: think of themes)
8. What were the four types of plays he wrote?
9. Where were his plays performed and by whom?
10. How many plays did Shakespeare write?
11. What is the purpose of a sonnet (other than a poem!)
12. How many sonnets did Shakespeare write?
13. What is the rhyme scheme of a sonnet?
14. When did the Globe Theatre burn down the first time? How did it happen?
15. Why were the plays performed in daylight?
16. What is the aside?
17. What is a soliloquy?
18. Why is Shakespeare the Rock Star of the 1500's? Think about how we revere "rock stars" today.

Historic England

19. Who was Queen of England during the time Shakespeare began to write? Who ruled after her?
20. Give the approximate dates of the Elizabethan period.
21. Identify the 3 social classes in England during Shakespeare's time.
22. Describe the status of women. In other words, what was their role in the family? How would a young woman respond to a request from her father?
23. What is chivalry?
24. What was the Bubonic Plague and how did it affect society during Shakespeare's time?
25. What was the main reason the theaters closed during times of “plague flair ups?”
26. Describe these aspects of Elizabethan life.
 - a. Food
 - b. Society
 - c. City life, hygiene, crime
 - d. Homes

The Elizabethan Theater

27. Where were most theaters built? (in or out of the city)? Why? Why is the Globe Theater so famous?
28. What time of day did performances take place? How was the public notified about performances?
29. Who played the female roles and why?
30. What type of scenery and props were used?
31. What were the costumes like?
32. What other skills did actors need besides acting ability?
33. What was the cost of standing room at the Globe?
34. Who was Richard Burbage?
35. Who were the King's Men or Chamberlain's Men?