

The Tragedy of Romeo and Juliet, Act III, by William Shakespeare
Vocabulary Builder

Word List

gallant	fray	martial
exile	eloquence	fickle

A. DIRECTIONS: Match each word in Column A with the correct definition in Column B.

Column A

- ___ 1. gallant
- ___ 2. exile
- ___ 3. martial
- ___ 4. fray
- ___ 5. eloquence
- ___ 6. fickle

Column B

- A. noisy fight
- B. changeable
- C. graceful, persuasive speech
- D. brave and noble
- E. military
- F. banish

B. DIRECTIONS: For each of the following items, think about the meaning of the italicized word and then answer the question.

1. Would you describe the people participating on both sides of a *fray* as hostile or friendly? Explain.

2. Can a romance in which one or both partners are *fickle* be described as stable and happy? Why or why not?

3. Would the sound of *martial* music evoke war or peace? Explain.

4. If you call someone *gallant*, is that a compliment or an insult? Explain.

5. What might be one of the main sorrows or complaints of a person who is *exiled*?

6. If a candidate delivers a speech with *eloquence*, is it likely to be persuasive? Why or why not?
