

Romeo and Juliet

Act III

Journal Task



Put yourself firmly and fully in the character's shoes. Don't break character or use sarcasm. Each of the following three characters is facing the harsh crises and difficult decisions of Act III. Write your best, but format your responses as the character's thoughts, fresh from their brains – first person. Don't simply respond to the questions like a robot; be creative and utilize some Shakespearean language and vocabulary to make it as genuine as possible.

Choose only **one** prompt to respond to.

- As thirteen-year-old Juliet – How would you react to the news that your husband has killed your cousin and has been banished from the city only minutes after your wedding? What new problems does Tybalt's death present for Romeo and Juliet? What questions and fears would be running through your head?
- As the fugitive Romeo – On the run from the law and wanted for murder, where would you go to hide? What would be on your mind? What are you going to do to solve all of the problems you have created?
- As the mourning Lord Capulet – Your nephew has been killed by a Montague; the ancient grudge has become even more personal! Is there anything you can do to give your family the upper hand in the feud to prevent more deaths? The Prince's favor *could* give you more power. What could you do in order to get closer to the royal family?