R & J Act 4.1 – Discussion/Study Questions

- 1. How do specific word choices develop Juliet's tone?
- 2. What is the cause of Juliet's "grief" (line 46)?
- 3. Which words and phrases develop the relationship between Juliet and Friar Laurence?
- 4. What is Juliet's purpose for visiting Friar Laurence?
- 5. What is Juliet's "resolution" on line 53?
- 6. How does Juliet's statement "I long to die, / If what thou speak'st speak not of remedy" (lines 66-67) develop her character?
- 7. What is the "kind of hope" (line 68) Friar Laurence has for Juliet?
- 8. Why does Friar Laurence believe it is "likely [Juliet] wilt undertake" his plan?
- 9. How does Juliet's description of "Things that ... have made [her] tremble" (line 86) develop her character?
- 10. How do Romeo's responses to Friar Laurence in Act 3.3 compare to Juliet's responses to Friar Laurence in Act 4.1?

11. What does Friar Laurence want Juliet to do when she leaves the church?

12. What does Friar Laurence want Juliet to do the night before the wedding?

- 13. What does Friar Laurence say will be the effect of drinking the "distilling liquor"?
- 14. How long do the effects of the "distilling liquor" last?
- 15. What does Friar Laurence say will happen on Thursday morning?
- 16. What role does Romeo play in Friar Laurence's plan?
- 17. How does Friar Laurence's plan contribute to his development as a character?
- 18. How does Shakespeare develop the relationship between Juliet and Friar Laurence in Act 4.1?