1. By what nickname is William Shakespeare known?

2. The value of Shakespeare’s writing is his ___________ into the human experience.

3. Who was ruler of England during Shakespeare’s life?

4. Shakespeare was born in the year ______ on ________________.

5. He was born in _____________________________, England.

6. He was the ______ child of ___________ and ____________ Shakespeare.

7. What was William’s father’s occupation?

8. What was the primary language studied by young Shakespeare?

9. What ancient writer influenced Shakespeare?

10. What was Shakespeare’s first experience with theater?

11. Shakespeare married _______________________ because she was _____________. He was _____; she was _____ years older. They were married in ______.

12. Shakespeare had three children-list them:

13. Shakespeare went to London during the ________________. This time is called the lost years.

14. In 1592, Shakespeare worked in London as a __________ and __________.

15. What subjects were used for his sonnets?

16. What did the “dark lady” represent?

17. Shakespeare wrote __ plays in __ years.
18. What was most likely Shakespeare’s daily schedule?
   Morning: __________________________
   Afternoon: __________________________
   Evenings: __________________________

19. Shakespeare most likely wrote in pubs to save __________________________.

20. Shakespeare’s marriage was most likely __________________________.

21. In London, theaters were often closed due to __________________________.

22. In 1596, tragedy struck when _____________ died at age ________.

23. What did this death mean to Shakespeare?

24. In the late 1590s, Shakespeare’s plays took on a greater ____________, like that found in the play ____________.

25. How were the theaters viewed by society?

26. In what part of London would you find the theaters?

27. What was the name of Shakespeare’s theater?

28. He owned _____ percent of the theater.

29. What was the first play performed there?

30. What difficulties did Shakespeare have to overcome to present his plays?

31. _____________ was the tool Shakespeare used to create his great masterpieces.

32. He had to rely on the _____________ of the audience.

33. Women’s parts were played by _____________ and _____________.

34. How did Shakespeare describe himself?

35. Where did he get the subjects for his plays?

36. In 1603, who became ruler of England?

37. The new title of the acting troupe became __________________________.
38. What reward was he given for his life’s work?
39. Shakespeare’s work shows that he had an interest in _____________
    ________________.
40. His work began to show ________ like in King Lear.
41. In his Middle Age, Shakespeare showed a new interest in his ____________.
42. The last play Shakespeare wrote alone was ________________.
43. What even changed his life in 1613?
44. What was unusual about William Shakespeare’s will?
45. How old was Shakespeare when he died?
46. What was ironic about the day of his death?
47. When he died, Shakespeare’s plays hadn’t been published. In what year were
    they published?
48. The publication was published under the title ____________________ and
    contained _______ of his ________ plays.
49. All of the plays were written for the ____________________ of the Elizabethan
    stage.
50. Shakespeare is most well known as a supreme ________________ of
    __________________.