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1. the tempest
2. julius caesar
3. macbeth
4. the taming of the shrew
5. romeo and juliet

hm. it feels like i've read more than that. i guess because i've seen them performed or read abridged versions of them. ah.

and that's when i had a ?brilliant idea!? i could make this year \*drumroll\* **the year of the great shakespeare tbr!**

truly a great plan, considering i already have a huge tbr, am currently in a reading slump, and have school things to read, not to mention im in multiple plays and have a million other miscellaneous things to do right now. and god knows what this year is even going to look like anyways. but i decided to go for it.

here is my grand plan.

**? read the original versions of ?**

- as you like it
- much ado about nothing
- a midsummer nights dream
- the two noble kinsman
- a winter's tale
- hamlet
- othello
- antony and cleopatra
- henry viii
- the merry wives of windsor

**? memorize a monologue from ?**

- a midsummer nights dream or much ado about nothing
- the two noble kinsman (there's this great lesbian romance monologue from a bi character i loveeee and need to learn)
- hamlet or macbeth depending on what i find and like.

then, what with my marc antony speech, i will have a comedic, romantic, historic, and tragic monologue!

\*theater nerd moment\* heh

anyways. on with the plan:

**? read retellings of/acquire more knowledge of ?**

- pericles, prince of tyre
- the two gentlemen of verona
- all's well that ends well
- titus andronicus
- the merchant of venice
- all the henrys (or henries? idk)
- king lear

**? ignore ?**

- king john
- coriolanus
- anything i forgot

and there you are. the grand will-use-up-valuable-time-until-i-forget-about-it-and-it-is-never-seen-again plan!! woohoo!

also, i have a feeling a lot of my "read the original versions of" books will transfer to the last list over time. just to prepare you for that.

**tl;dr: im going to try (and fail) to read, memorize, and learn about more shakespeare. despite my busy schedule and already-huge tbr. this is a very bad idea. kids, dont try this at home.**

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i wasn't overly fond of richard iii, but much of that stems from the fact that shakespeare and i are on opposite sides of the fence regarding the plantagenets and the tudors. richard iii is one of my favorites royals and he was writing plays during the reign of elizabeth i, henry vii's granddaughter. to some extent, politics must take precedence. still, it's a well-written play, and i can enjoy it for that, even if i disagree with the premise.

my favorite has to be the tempest, which i read in high school. i love the relationship between prospero and Ariel. it just sets up a great tone and i never tire of reading it.

poems and sonnets, there were ones i enjoyed and those i wasn't quite as fond of. still, that's what is so great about a large body of work like this - there is something for everyone and we all can have our opinions about each and every play, poem, and sonnet. ...more flag 2 likes · like · see review oct 17, 2014 marioth added it · review of another edition shelves: bibliothèque-personnelle, obsession i abandoned this edition because of the annoying political agenda that permeated introductory articles and explanatory notes.

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and even in just reading shakespeare's incomparable wordplay is evident. his works are truly worthy of being the quintessential classics they are known to be.

2012 comments:

found a copy at goodwill, and since i'm constantly looking for new classics to add to my bookshelf picked it up. (besides, i'm in a shakespeare mood.) it's pages are so pretty and look aged. and the cover is hardcover and velvet <3 i might just stroke it occasionally. how awesome for 2 dollars! :d ...more flag 1 like · like · see review sep 21, 2015 nick marked it as never-finished · review of another edition [2015-2016] read to page 438.

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let's start with the plays i have already read, seen, or studied before this year began:

**romeo and juliet**— i think this was the first shakespeare play i read. i think i was in eighth grade. i liked it. it is a wonderful and beautiful play. i remember being moved to tears at the end, and then loving both movies i have seen of it. i also read the text of west side story that same year as a comparison and found it similarly moving. romeo and juliet is not a play about love. it may be a love distinction, but i read it as a play about the hope that a fine can overcome the greatest problems we face, and then sorrow that it doesn't always work out that way.

**as you like it**— i was on the tech crew for a production of this play, also in junior high. i found it very romantic, and just loved the idea of a woman disguising herself as a man in order to achieve her goals. (i did not know at the time that shakespeare played with that theme a lot). i can still picture the stage and the people that i was able to watch every night as the production went on. it is a nostalgic play for me, but i don't think that is the only reason i love it. i love it because it is clever and i wanted to be rosalind.

**king lear**— i read this play in high school. i didn't find it as memorable as romeo and juliet, but i remember thinking it was interesting and meaningful. i would like to revisit this as an adult and look again at the way the tragedy plays out. i seem to recall that i didn't find king lear as villainous as others seemed to imply i should.

**love's labour's lost**—this is another fun one. not a favorite. there are a lot of characters, which makes it hard to follow. but at least they make some decisions that lead to good comedy, and everything works out in the end. if you want a really strange experience watch the movie starring kenneth branagh and alicia silverstone. it combines the original text with some classic jazz songs, which is both fun and destabilizing.

**midsummer night's dream**—i'm not sure i can communicate just how much i love this play. apparently, it is the most performed shakespeare play of our time. i can understand why. when my kids and i listened to an audio recording of this play, they saw the joy of it after only a few scenes. all of these characters—the lovers, the fairies, and the theater troupe—end up in the woods together on the same night and hilarity ensues. but this play isn't just funny. it is witty and wise and heartwarming all while being silly and joyous and unexpected. i couldn't love hermia (or bottom) more. this is a true masterpiece.

**taming of the shrew**—this is one of the first plays i studied, i think in the same year as romeo and juliet. i both read the script and watched the play. i was young enough that i wasn't very critical and just accepted the idea that petruccio was a hero and kate needed him. now i am more critical about the whole premise of the play and find myself bristling at it a little bit. it is still fun, but watching kate suffer doesn't seem quite right.

**much ado about nothing**—another one of my favorites, i was even able to perform a monologue from this play once. i love the romance between beatrice and benedict. beatrice is one of my favorite characters shakespeare has written, and probably one of the main reasons i named one of my daughters beatrice. there are so many tender and meaningful scenes in this play. a wonderful comedy with drama and a happy ending!

**macbeth**—this play has been everywhere. i have seen it on stage, seen movies of it, read it in school, read the graphic novel. it is a good play. i love the supernatural elements, which take it from a story about murder for gain and the inevitable insanity that follows into a more interesting story (to me) that is still about those things but adds in a philosophical questions about greater power than man, and what it would do to us to know our own futures. i don't have anything really deep to say about this play, but i enjoy it, and enjoy thinking about it.

**pericles**—i was able to watch this play at the utah shakespeare festival in cedar city utah. unfortunately, even though i read it before i went so that i would be prepared, i can remember very little of it now. i remember loving the production. i thought it was magical and enjoyable. i can't remember much about the plot. i may have to revisit this one when i finish with the other plays.

king henry v

hamlet

newly encountered in 2022:

**merry wives of windsor**—i was able to see this play performed by our local grassroots shakespeare company. it was so fun. i took two of my kids (ages 8 and 11), and they were laughing the whole time. i can't imagine a better introduction to shakespeare. they think his plays are the best plays in history. (and they may be right) this is not one of my favorites. it is frivolous without some of the weight that many of shakespeare's plays have. i kept waiting for some important monologue to teach me what love means or why honesty matters or something, but it really felt like it was all for laughs.

**two gentlemen of verona**—i listened to a production of this play recorded by the marlowe society. i was surprised by how much i enjoyed the sections with launce and his dog, crab. after the play was over i did some research, and it turns out i am not the only one that loves launce's monologue. it may be one of the funniest bits of writing shakespeare has done. i also really liked the way it ended. the ending was so fast, but felt complete.

future plays to read or see:

all's well that ends well

comedy of errors

merchant of venice

twelfth night

measure for measure

winter's tale

tempest

king john

king richard ii

king henry iv. part 1

king henry iv. part 2

king henry v1. part 1

king henry v1. part 2

king henry v1. part 3

king richard iii

king henry viii

cymbeline

othello

timon of athens

troilus and cressida

coriolanus

julius caesar

antony and cleopatra

titus andronicus

venus and adonis

rape of lucrece

sonnets

lover's complaint

passionate pilgrim

verses among the additional poems to chester's love's

martyr ...more flag like · see review mar 10, 2022 sathya

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the histories... well, dramatizations of history, which

usually make a great deal more sense after some

historical research.

and everybody has heard of the greats here -- the

scottish lord who murders his way to kingship, young

lovers divided by a feud, a moorish general who is driven

mad with jealousy, an elderly king whose arrogance rips

his life apart, a very cleaned-up version of henry viii's split

from his first wife, the goofy prince hal and his growth into

a great king. there are feuding fairies, backing lovers,

romantic tangles, julius caesar's demise, gender-bending,

an exiled duke/magician on his island, and the infamous

"pound of flesh" bargain.

but shakespeare also wrote a bunch of lesser-known

plays that often can't be so neatly categorized -- a rotten

love affair during the siege of troly, a roman general

attacking his own city, an athenian gentleman embittered

by humanity, richard iii's machiavellian plot to become

king, two sets of twins separated at birth, a corrupt judge

obsessed with a lovely nun, falstaff's doomed efforts to

make money, and so on. some of these ("troilus and

cressida") aren't nearly as good as his "main" body of

work, but they're still excellent.

for all shakespeare's plays, it's best to read them after

you've seen a good performance. otherwise, it's like

reading a movie script to a movie you haven't seen --

easy to get lost, and the dramatic events aren't easy to

connect to. but if you've seen performances of any/all of

shakespeare's plays, then his vibrant stories and poetry

leap off the page.

there are long eloquent speeches, puns, clever linguistic

twists, and evocative language that soaks the play in

atmosphere ("with sweet musk-roses and with

eglantine/there sleeps titania sometime of the night/lull'd

in these flowers with dances and delight..."). in fact, his

plays are diamond mines of quotations -- some are

famous ("to be or not to be") and some of which have

floated into public knowledge without labels ("cowards die

many times before their deaths/the valiant never taste of

death but once").

and while some of his plays are basically fluff, he

manages to weave in moral questions, criticism and

explorations of the human soul. and his characters range

as far as his plots -- kings and princes, teenage lovers,

proud but doomed warriors, clever young ladies in drag,

bratty queens, the witty but combative beatrice and

benedick, and even the puppet-master mage prospero.

shakespeare's "complete works" is a must-have for

anyone who loves the english language -- his writing was

unparalleled, and even his lesser plays are a cut above

the rest. ...more flag like · see review aug 04, 2020

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one of the fascinating things about this event was the

official failing of rome's mixed constitution by becoming

too monarchical with cult of personality leaders.

this translation read very well, and i look forward to future

shakespeare reads. ...more flag like · see review jan 16,

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edition this is the definitive collection of shakespeare. i

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edition incredible. stunning. inventive. hard work at times

but obviously amazing. flag like · see review jan 17,

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rated it liked it · review of another edition i used this

nook for class and ended up reading the rest of the book.

it was a easy read. flag like · see review mar 01, 2021

ph. d. rated it it was amazing · review of another edition

shelves: fiction, 5-freds took me the entire pandemic, but i

read it all. i had to reward myself with one of the good

ones to get myself through the histories and a few dogs

(sacrilege, i know, but the bard did write a few dogs). my

final tally:

5 willies (3): hamlet, macbeth, julius caesar

4 willies (8): the tempest, othello, king lear, romeo & juliet,

a midsummer night&apos;s dream, the merry wives of

windsor, the merchant of venice, henry v

3 willies (16): as you like it, the comedy of errors, the

taming of the shrew, antony & cleopatra, richard iii. much

ado about nothing, henry iv, pts.1 and 2, coriolanus, all's

well that ends well, twelfth night, two gentlemen of

verona, troilus and cressida, the winter's tale, sonnets

and other poems

2 willies (7): henry iv pt. 2, henry viii, measure for

measure, love's labour's lost, the two noble kinsmen,

venus & adonis, the rape of lucrece

1 willie (7): king john, cymbeline, pericles, henry iv pts. 1

and 3, timon of athens, titus andronicus

if you have indulged me thus far, gentle reader, herewith i

present a bonus track: a shakespearean ode from the

bard of hamilton:

when i consider where my life has been,

the things that i have gained, and what was lost:

what i was sure was mine to go and win,

but in the winning, failed to count the cost —

my every action issued from a choice

that moved me toward or farther from the truth.

i've learned that everyone deserves a voice;

the price i paid for wisdom was my youth.

the only gifts that last are those we give,

and what we give is what we get to keep.

"do unto others" is the way to live;

god's grace is free, but very far from cheap.

my legacy (and all that i'm sure of):

the only thing is faith expressed through love.

...more flag like · see review jun 03, 2014 sarah rated it it

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class, great-characters, poetry-verse-and-drama,

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