Use this packet for reviewing Shakespeare’s *Julius Caesar*

You may use your book and any internet resource to fill in answers. Do NOT simply copy and paste – work answers into your own words so that you are not plagiarizing.

Some items are on more than one page – there are items total. You can keep track by paying attention to the headings.

Work independently, unless given other instructions by teacher. You may use this information on the test.

**Reference Only – No work required**

Julius Caesar

Character List by Act

# Act One

Flavius                          Carpenter                     Murellus                       Shoemaker

Fortune-teller                Caesar                         Casca                           Calpurnia

Antony                         Brutus                          Cassius                         Cicero

Cinna

# Act Two

Lucius                          Calpurnia                      Artemidorus                 Decius

Brutus                          Casca                           Cinna                           Caesar

Cassius                         Publius                         Fortuneteller                 Mettelus

Ligarius                        Trebonius                     Portia                           Servant

Antony

# Act Three

Caesar                         Fortuneteller                 Decius                          Artemidorus

Publius                         3rd citizen                      4th citizen                      Cassius

Popilus                         Brutus                          Cinna                           Mettellus

1st citizen                      Casca                           Trebonius                     Servant

Antony                         Citizens                        2nd citizen

# Act Four

Antony                         Octavius                       Lepidus                        Brutus

Lucilius                         Ghost                           Pindarus                       Cassius

1st soldier                     2nd soldier                     3rd soldier                     Claudio

Poet                             Messala                        Titinius                          Lucius

Varrus

# Act Five

Octavius                       Antony                         Messenger                    Cato

Clitus                            Dardanius                     Brutus                          Cassius

Lucilius                         Young Cato                  Voluminous                  Messala

Titinius                          Pindarus                       1st soldier                     2nd soldier

Strato

**Worksheet #1**

Quotes: Identify who said the following quotes

1. “Beware the Ides of March”
2. “Cassius from bondage will deliver Cassius”
3. “This was the noblest Roman of them all”
4. “Et tu, Brute?”
5. “This was the most unkindest cut of all”
6. “Let me have men about me that are fat, sleek-headed men…”

Plot Questions:

1. Describe what Marilus and Flavius do in the first scene.
2. What is significant about Calpurnia’s dream?
3. Describe Antony’s speech at the funeral of Caesar.
4. Why does Caesar decide to go to the senate, even though he is urged not to?
5. Why does Antony decide to speak at Caesar’s funeral? What does this lead to?
6. How does Pindarus misread what happened on the Battlefield? What happens as a result?
7. In scene 3 of Act 1 there is a terrible storm. Cicero says, “But men may construe things after their fashions, clean from the purpose of things themselves.” What does this quote mean? How does Cassius react to the storm?

Characters: Briefly describe each character and their role in the story

1. Brutus
2. Caesar
3. Cassius
4. Casca
5. Calpurnia
6. Soothsayer
7. Antony
8. Portia
9. Octavius

**Worksheet #2**

**Match the following characters on the left with their quote on the right.**

**1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** Decius Brutus **A.** “When beggars die there are no comets seen.

 The heavens themselves blaze forth the death of princes.”

**2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** Caesar **B**. “…I will this night,

 In several hands, in at his windows throw,

 As if they came from several citizens,

 Writings, all tending to the great opinion

 That Rome holds of his name…”

**3. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** Brutus **C.** “It must be by his death, and, for my part,

 I know no personal cause to spurn at him,

 But for the general. He would be crown'd:

 How that might change his nature, there's the question.

 It is the bright day that brings forth the adder

 And that craves wary walking.”

**4. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** Calphurnia **D.** “… No, my Brutus,

 You have some sick offense within your mind,

 Which by the right and virtue of my place

 I ought to know of.”

**5. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** Portia **E.** “The gods do this in shame of cowardice.

 Caesar should be a beast without a heart

 If he should stay at home today for fear.

 No, Caesar shall not. Danger knows full well

 That Caesar is more dangerous than he.”

**6. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** Marc Antony **F.** “I have, when you have heard what I can say.

 And know it now, the Senate have concluded

 To give this day a crown to mighty Caesar.

 If you shall send them word you will not come,

 Their minds may change. Besides, it were a mock

 Apt to be render'd, for someone to say

 ‘Break up the Senate till another time,

 When Caesar's wife shall meet with better dreams.’"

**7. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** Cassius **G.** “O, pardon me, thou bleeding piece of earth,

 That I am meek and gentle with these butchers!”

**Worksheet #3**

What are some examples of situations where someone did something behind someone else’s back? What were the consequences?

Examine ACT I for superstitious beliefs. Write the line in the first column. In the second column, explain what it means. See the example below.

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| **Superstitious Belief or Event** | **Explanation** |
| Cassius say, “the fault, dear Brutus, is not in our stars,/ But in ourselves, that we are underlings. | Some people believe that the star or planet under which you were born determines your fate. Cassius does not agree with this. |
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Follow up Question: How do these superstitions and beliefs add to the “drama” of the play? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Worksheet #4**

**Put the following events from “Julius Caesar” in chronological order.**

 a. Antony decides to bury Brutus as a hero.

 b. Brutus cannot sleep but refuses to tell Portia what

 is troubling him.

 c. Brutus speaks at Caesar’s funeral.

 d. Mark Antony offers Caesar the crown three times.

 e. After seeing that Brutus is stabbing him with the rest of the

 conspirators, Caesar dies.

 f. The soothsayer warns Caesar – the first time – to be careful.

 g. Calpurnia begs Caesar not to go to the Senate.

 h. Antony is allowed to speak at Caesar’s funeral.

 i. Julius Caesar returns to Rome.

 j. Antony enters and cries, “If you’re going to kill me, do it now!”

 k. The traitors flee Rome in fear for their lives.