

*Romeo and Juliet* by William Shakespeare

## Act Five Study Guide

**5.1**

1. What were the contents of Romeo's dream?
2. How does Romeo's dream, which he describes in his opening speech, compare or contrast with the news brought to him by Balthasar?
3. What is an apothecary? How does Romeo convince the apothecary to sell him poison? Why does he need to [convince him]?
4. What does he plan to do with the poison?

**5.2**

1. Why is Friar John unable to deliver Friar Lawrence's letter to Romeo?
2. How does the Friar respond? What does he plan to do? Why is his plan futile?

**5.3**

1. Why does Paris come to Juliet's burial place?
2. What reason does Romeo give to Balthasar for his being at Juliet's tomb?
3. Why does everyone think Juliet died? (see lines 50-51)
4. What happens when Romeo and Paris meet? As a result? What does Paris request of Romeo?
5. What does Romeo notice about Juliet's looks? How does he explain them (101-105)?
6. What happens to Romeo and Juliet (be specific!)?  
Romeo –  
Juliet –
7. What has happened to Lady Montague? Why?