Romeo and Juliet Quotes

AO3: Believed to have been written in the Elizabethan era between 1591 and 1595; the plot is based on an Italian tale translated into verse as The Tragical History as Romeus and Juliet by Arthur Brooke in 1563.

Act 1

(L4) Prologue: From ancient grudge break a new mutiny, where civil blood makes civil hands unclean.

(L5) From forth the fatal loin of these two foes a pair of star-cross’d lovers take their life.

(S1-L45) Sampson: No, sir, I do no bite my thumb at you, sir, but I bite my thumb, sir.

(S1-L58) Benvolio: Part fools! Put up your swords; you know not what you do.

(S1-L62) I do but keep the peace.

(S1-L64) Tybalt: What, drawn, and talk of peace! I hate the word, as I hate hell and all Montagues and thee.

(S1-L90) Prince: If you ever disturb our streets again, your lives shall pay the forfeit of peace.

(S1-L103) Benvolio: The fiery Tybalt.

(S1-L110) Lady Montague: O where is Romeo? Saw you him today? Right glad I am he was not at this fray.

(S1-L115) Romeo: Ay me! Sad hours seem long.

(S1-L170) Here’s much to do with hate, but more with love. Why, then, O brawling love! O loving hate!

(S1-L184-5) Love is raised with the fume of sighs; being purged, a fire sparkling in lovers’ eyes;

(S1-L191) Tut, I have lost myself;

(S1-L202-3) She’ll not be hit with Cupids arrow; she hath Dian’s wit;

(S1-L208) Nor ope her lap to Saint-seducing gold.