

reason for this newfound knowledge because they lived perfectly before without it. Prospero consequently is shown to possess the same colonial attitudes as European man in this instance.

Prospero and Caliban's relationship is shown to develop from a native-settler relationship into Prospero becoming a parental figure for Caliban (before Caliban's attempted rape of Miranda). Shakespeare shows Prospero took "pains" to educate Caliban, the language suggests it was difficult for Prospero and would have taken time and effort. Prospero civilising Caliban to the ways of Milan's society was Prospero's way of showing affection because it is a value that is important to Prospero. Shakespeare does this to suggest how Prospero and Caliban do not have a 'business' relationship but that when the colonisers and colonised spent enough time together they could potentially become close contrary most of the seventeenth century European's beliefs. Most saw the Indians as 'savages' that were inferior to them or something they could make a profit from. Prospero is shown to be fatherly towards Caliban, he angrily reminds Caliban he "lodged thee in mine own cell". This would suggest that Prospero isn't the typical coloniser because he took Caliban into his home and cared for his well-being rather than treating him like his inferior subject. The play follows the *Unity of Time* which means the audience finds out about Caliban's background through Prospero. Shakespeare does this because it shows Prospero feels responsible for Caliban and it echoes how a parent would tell others people stories of their child. Later in the play Prospero is shown to take responsibility for Caliban,

"this thing of darkness I
Acknowledge mine."

Prospero's sense of responsibility towards Caliban is shown here. This shows how Prospero is presented as being like Caliban's parent or guardian. This shows Prospero displays different attitudes from the typical colonist who would have had ulterior motives like Herman Cortés who befriended the Tlaxcalans and formed an alliance with them only so Cortés could defeat the Aztecs.