William Shakespeare

1564 – 1616

Main Points

- Life
- Main works
- *Romeo And Juliet*

Life

The beginnings:

- Stratford-Upon-Avon 1564

-Prosperous local family

- Stratford grammar school

Life

The "Lost Years":

1585-1592

Life

Sonnets:

- January 1593: plague in London

- Shakespeare needed financial aid and found a patron

- Theatres closed until Spring 1594

Life

Succes and Prosperity:

-1595 became a shareolder and playwright of "The lord Chamberlain's Men"

-Dramatist grew

-Invested in the building of the Globe Theatre

- April 23rd 1616: he died

Main Works

The four periods:

Main Works

The First period: (1590 – 1595)

- Comedies/Romances:
  A Midsummer Night's Dream

- Historical Plays: *Henry VI, Richard II* and *III*

- Tragedies: *Romeo And Juliet*

Main Works

The Second Period: (1596 – 1600)

- Comedies/Romances:
  The Merchant Of Venice, The Merry Wives Of Windsor, Much Ado About Nothing

- Historical *Plays*:*Henry IV* and *V*

- Tragedies (Roman Play): Julius Caesar

Main Works

The Third Period: (1601-1608)

•Comedies/Romances:*Measure for Measure*

•Historical Plays: /

•Tragedies: *Hamlet, Othello, Macbeth, King Lear, Antony and Cleopatra, Coriolanus*

Main Works

The Fourth Period: (1609-1612)

•Comedies/Romances:
The Tempest, *Cymbeline*, *The Winter's Tale*

•Historical Plays: /

•Tragedies: /

Romeo And Juliet

1594-1595

The Story:

- Two enemy families
- Romeo, a Montague, and Juliet, a Capulet, fall in love
- Romeo kills Tibalt and he is punished
- The two lovers decide to get married in secret
- Juliet's father insists to have her marry Paris
- The plan of Friar Lawrence to help Juliet
- The suicide of the two lovers

Summary and Conclusions

- Life
- Main works
- *Romeo And Juliet*

The End