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bibliography, language: English, abstract: The play Romeo and Juliet by William Shakespeare deals with the love of two young lovers, who are members of noble but hostile families of Verona. This paper will try to analyse the role of fate and society in Romeo and Juliet. This will be done on the level of fate as part of the Elizabethan World View, as a typical means in the tragedy and in form of a consideration of different scenes which depict fate. Furthermore emphasis is put upon the society in the Elizabethan Age, the aristocracy's behaviour, the hate as an evil force and the different characters in Romeo and Juliet. It will be shown that these circumstances lead to their death, which is not the fault of the young lovers, but the work of coincidences, of fate and members of the society. Seminar paper from the year 2002 in the subject English Language and Literature Studies - Literature, grade: 2,3, University of Münster (Englisches Seminar), course: Shakespeare and Tragedy, language: English, abstract: Without any doubt, Shakespeare can be called one of the greatest observers of all times. In his plays, the reader is confronted with characters from all sorts of social, cultural and religious backgrounds. Among the most well-known characters, we find kings, (their) queens and princes (like Hamlet), Jews (in "The Merchant of Venice"), black people (Othello), and Roman soldiers, not to mention all those who did not give a play its title. Looking at professions, Shakespeare employs characters from all social levels - be they grave-

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diggers, jesters, killers or noblemen. Within the plays, those characters seldom stand alone. They appear in groups, in the context of their friends and families. A character is thus provided with a wife or husband, a mother and father, maybe a step-parent, grand-parents, sisters, brothers, girl- or boyfriends and mates. As a family does not consist of only one age group, Shakespeare has to focus on several generations of characters, waving a complex net of relations and interactions. In this paper, I would like to look at the representation of 'young' people in two of Shakespeare's tragedies, "Romeo and Juliet" and "Hamlet". The term 'young' will be reflected upon in my second chapter, as will be upon the term 'tragedy'. As a future teacher, the presentation of youth is an interesting topic for me, and looking at young people interact (and interact with older characters) in Shakespeare will be something worth doing: in focussing on youth, the cliché of tragedy often dealing with 'old' people will be broken. This paper is meant to show that Shakespeare did not write in a single-dimensional way, but his plays offer a broad observation of any age group. After giving a short synopsis of the two tragedies in chapter three, I will, in chapter four, present the tragedies' characters in their respective context and in relation to each other and comment on their behaviour and attitudes. In my conclusion, I will concentrate on the characters in their relation to the genre of tragedy - reflecting on life, love, destiny, youth, and death.

Research Paper from the year 2014 in the subject English Language and Literature Studies - Literature,

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Jamshedpur Womens College (affiliated to Kolhan University), language: English, abstract: The present paper primarily endeavours to elaborate upon the basic conception of tragedy as laid out by imminent critics over the ages; to religiously undertake a comprehensive close study of the classic tragedy 'Romeo and Juliet' written by William Shakespeare; compare and contrast the previous works relating the story and Shakespeare's very own interpretation; to critically scrutinize and elucidate upon the theme of love, its nature and quality, which is the deciding factor of the play, with special reference been made to 'Sonnet no. 116' by William Shakespeare.

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Seminar paper from the year 2013 in the subject English - Literature, Works, grade: 2,3, Ernst Moritz Arndt University of Greifswald (Anglistik/Amerikanistik), course: Hauptseminar: Global Shakespeare, language: English, abstract: "And they all lived happily ever after" - This might have been the last sentence of William Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet* every other night back in the 18th century. We cannot be sure how theatre

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companies went about the happy ending of the so "[...] called greatest love story ever told" (Davies, 2001, p. 397) but scholars state that the plays blending of comedic and tragic elements has sometimes encouraged theatres to let their love couple live (cf. Smith, 2012, p. 158; McAllindon, 1991, p. 60). This raises the question why Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet had to die, which can be answered in several ways. The paper is going to explore three different reasons: the (seemingly) inevitable fate of the "star-crossed lovers" (Prologue, 6), the danger of immature love and the feud with its consequences for society, family, and coming of age. Ultimately the paper will try to find out what Shakespeare might have wanted to tell his audience and how his messages are conveyed by recent film adaptations. First of all it will be looked at the play's history, the societal environment during its emergence and Shakespeare's religious background which are of utmost importance to interpret the author's ideas. Afterwards all three previously mentioned reasons for the couple's death will be illustrated and analyzed. In conclusion the paper is going to argue that the play is an example of a man-made tragedy which had to end badly in order to open the audience's eyes to the goings-on around them. Finally two film adaptations will be looked at in some detail, mainly concentrating on their endings and their justification for it.

Originally published in 1993. Presenting excerpts and articles on the themes and characters from the most famous story of young lovers, this collection brings together scholarship relating to the language,

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performance, and impact of the play. Ordered in three parts, the chapters cover analysis, reviews and interpretation from a wide ranging array of sources, from the play's contemporary commenters to literary critics of the early 1990's. The volume ends with an article by the editor on the action in the text which concludes the final section of 8 pieces looking at the story as being a product of Elizabethan Culture. It considers the attitude to the friar, to morality and suicide, the stars and fate, and gender differences. Comparisons are made to Shakespeare's source as well as to productions performed long after the Bard's death.

Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet*, is a tragedy about two teenagers who fall in love. Both are dead by the play's end. The play is set in Verona, Italy during the Renaissance. The plot is driven by the feud between two families, the Capulets and the Montagues. The play begins by introducing the rivalry through a brawl that is taking place amongst the servants of the two families. Romeo, son of Lord Montague, overhears that Lord Capulet is going to be hosting a ball. Romeo decides that he will attend, uninvited. He goes to the ball with his friends Mercutio and Benvolio. Romeo meets the lovely Juliet Capulet and they fall in love. Later on Romeo visits Juliet and stands under her balcony – they exchange vows of love. Romeo asks Friar Laurence to marry them – the Friar agrees in the hope that it will end the families' feud. This annotated edition includes a biography and critical essay.

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Seminar paper from the year 2018 in the subject English Language and Literature Studies - Literature, grade: 1,0, University of Frankfurt (Main) (Institut für England und Amerikastudien), course: Romeo and Juliet, language: English, abstract: This paper will shed light on the fatal role the Veronese society plays in the deaths of Romeo and Juliet: it imposes strict gender expectations on them, provides

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a framework for the patriarchal family structure, and forces the star-crossed lovers into obedience. William Shakespeare lived in a patriarchal environment, dominated and controlled by men, be they husbands or fathers, with women serving as commodities to be traded in matrimonial business transactions between men. The poet is well known for making use of the Elizabethan gender stereotypes in his plays, at times supporting them, but frequently choosing to bend and challenge them with his characters, as he does with Romeo and Juliet. Theirs is a story of two adolescents falling in love on first sight, as both come from long quarrelling families, the Capulets and the Montagues. Whilst this feud is often identified as the reason for the two lovers' cataclysmic end, other critical factors might be considered. Verona's society imposes strict gender expectations on both sexes: women are ideally moulded into well-behaved, pretty items of possession, never disagreeing with a man, whereas men are raised to exercise violence and dominance. Not only the stereotypes, but also, and in particular, Verona's family structure pressures the star-crossed lovers to obey their place in society, illustrated even more clearly for Juliet within the play. Romeo and Juliet constantly switch between challenging the rigorous expectations and questioning their own unconventionality. When their struggle seems increasingly hopeless, and they must bow to society's pressure, the tragedy unfolds.

Seminar paper from the year 2001 in the subject English Language and Literature Studies - Literature, grade: 1,3, Bielefeld University, 12 entries in the bibliography, language: English, abstract: Why was Shakespeare so successful in his times? How come, his plays drew the masses into the theatres? How did he manage to attract all these different groups of people with different backgrounds at the same time? These are the questions I will have in the back of my mind while writing this paper. I will examine one aspect of his

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style more closely, which I found in his Romeo and Juliet. In doing so, I hope to give at least some small explanation of the reason of his overwhelming success. It was probably in 1595 when Shakespeare wrote this famous tragedy. He was doing so, living in a society which was leaving the Middle Ages far behind and rapidly growing in complexity. The English society was splitting up into a huge variety of different groups and organisations. The Reformation produced a wealth of new religious groupings. Especially the Puritans were to become very influential in England. The rise of the middle class was taking place under the reign of queen Elizabeth, which was combining artisans, merchants and the more prosperous peasants and was accumulating new resources and capital. The aristocracy was changing: It was opening up for new members, mostly wholesalers who had earned a fortune with the profitable overseas trade. The decline of the ancient system of feudalism was highly advanced, which for the common peasant meant that he wasn't tied to his small piece of soil any longer. He was much more mobile now. Family structures were changing as well. The kin (that is the enlarged family) as the main organising factor was beginning to lose ground to the smaller nuclear family.

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