***Romeo and Juliet*: Blog Response**

**The events within *Romeo and Juliet* occur within a single week of one another. This short time frame is not only rushed, chaotic, and passionate, but it involves more than just Romeo and Juliet. The characters surrounding Romeo and Juliet are extremely involved in the couple’s lives, whether it be fighting for them, keeping their affair secret, or even dying in defense of their names. The impact of this love affair affected not only the two of them, but their loved ones as well.**

**Place yourself in Mercutio or Benvolio’s shoes: Can you imagine watching your best friend fall head over heels in love after meeting a person just once? Imagine being Romeo: How would you feel if your parents hated the family of your crush?**

**On the blog site I’ve provided for you, edublogs.com, you will write two responses to events within *Romeo and Juliet*. The first response is due February XX. This post will be in response to the tragic events within Act III. If the character you select dies within any scene of that act, you may continue to write from their point-of-view in the past tense.**

Brainstorming Questions:

* How was your character involved?
* Whose side is he/she on?
* What does he/she think of Romeo and/or Juliet?

**The response is in first-person point-of-view. Every post should be at least 250 words. You will be graded according to the rubric provided via the website.**

Characters to choose from:

* Romeo
* Juliet
* Benvolio
* Mercutio
* Nurse
* Friar Lawrence