



Romeo and Juliet

Romeo and Juliet and Pyramus and Thisbe

You are going to write an essay responding to the prompt below. First, fill out the chart to help you plan your essay. Then share your chart with a partner for feedback. Make adjustments as needed, then write your essay.

Prompt: The tomb scene in *Romeo and Juliet*, including the deaths of the two lovers, is similar to the final scene in the Greek myth "Pyramus and Thisbe." Ovid's myth was widely read by writers in the Renaissance, and Shakespeare would have likely encountered this story before writing *Romeo and Juliet*. Read "Pyramus and Thisbe" and then write an introduction, three well-developed paragraphs, and a conclusion comparing and contrasting *Romeo and Juliet* with the myth in three ways. Consider the following literary elements: characters, plot, imagery, or other devices (e.g., irony, symbols, motifs).

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Comparison/Contrast 1:		
Textual Evidence: Properly cite a quote from both texts showing the similarity.		
Comparison/Contrast 2:		
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Comparison/Contrast 3:		
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