

SHAKESPEARE LIVES

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In 2016, British Council invited the world to take part in a programme of events and activities celebrating the world's most famous playwright, **William Shakespeare**, on the 400th anniversary of his death.

As a legacy of the project, lots of great resources are available **online** for students of Shakespeare.

MIX THE PLAY

IT'S YOUR TURN TO BE THE DIRECTOR!

Mix the Play is an interactive digital platform that invites people anywhere in the world to discover Shakespeare's plays by directing their own custom scene.

Using film samples and effects, you can control a range of elements, including casting, setting, costumes, acting style and music.

The end result is your own vision of *A Midsummer Night's Dream* staged at The Old Vic Theatre or *Romeo and Juliet*'s famous balcony scene, set in India.

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**DIRECT YOUR
SCENE NOW**

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**CATCH UP
WITH THE
STORIES
SO FAR**



In **#ShakespeareNoFilter**, we retell three of Shakespeare's most iconic plays – *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, *Hamlet* and *Romeo and Juliet* – through the lens of Instagram!

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Emoji Shakespeare is a free app available to download on iOS and Android.

Just fill in the blanks of famous Shakespearean quotes with emoji. The app is a fun new way to engage with the work of Shakespeare.

EMOJI SHAKESPEARE

SEARCH FOR EMOJI SHAKESPEARE



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SHAKESPEARE LIVES IN

SCIENCE:

POISONS, POTIONS

AND

DRUGS

Poisons and potions are the weapons of choice for many of Shakespeare's most iconic characters. Used to seduce lovers, kill enemies and gain power, nothing was too noxious for Shakespeare. We took a closer look at the botanical and zoological basis of some of these elixirs to find out whether they'd actually work.

shakespearelives.org/poisons-potions

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SHORT FILM COLLECTION

The Shakespeare Lives short film collection brings you contemporary reimaginings of Shakespeare's work. The films reinterpret the words of Shakespeare with manga animation, song and sci-fi... and transport famous works to new locations including ice cream vans and the near future!

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WATCH ALL THE FILMS HERE



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