

Romeo and Juliet Act I Prologue

Name _____

Directions: Match the original Shakespeare segments with their modern versions.Then, **copy the modern version** next to the Shakespeare so that you can see them side-by-side.

Matches with...	Original Shakespeare	Copied Modern Version	Choose from this list: Modern Versions
	Two households, both alike in dignity, In fair Verona, where we lay our scene,		A. And if you will patiently focus your attention, we will show you everything we forgot to say.
	From ancient grudge break to new mutiny, Where civil blood makes civil hands unclean.		B. The tragedy of their fatal love and the continuing of their parents' hatred.
	From forth the fatal loins of these two foes a pair of star-cross'd lovers take their life;		C. Two families of similar wealth and respect from beautiful Verona where our story takes place.
	Whose misadventured piteous overthrows do with their death bury their parents' strife.		D. From these two enemies two unlucky children will become lovers and then commit suicide.
	The fearful passage of their death-mark'd love, And the continuance of their parents' rage,		E. That only their children's death can end is now the story you will see.
	Which, but their children's end, nought could remove, Is now the two hours' traffic of our stage;		F. From an old family feud new violence erupts which will make good citizens evil by killing other citizens.
	The which if you with patient ears attend, What here shall miss, our toil shall strive to end.		G. Only the unfortunate, sad death of these lovers will end their parents' hateful feud.