Who is William Shakespeare?

Playwright | Poet

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Connection

Watch this video to get an overview of William Shakespeare:

(Biography: William Shakespeare on YouTube)

Discovery

Follow this slideshow to find out more about Shakespeare and Try it Out using Shakespeare’s words at home:

(Who is William Shakespeare in Slideshow)

Write down your insult sentence in your journal!

{Thou art a ____(word from column A)____, ____ (word from column B)____, ____ (word from column C)___}!

Reflection

Now that you know a little bit about William Shakespeare, think about why we still study and perform his words today.

Are there any modern (current day) poets, singers or writers that you think will still be well known 400 years from now? In the year 2420? Will people still be quoting lines from television shows or popular songs from 2020 many years into the future? Why or why not?

Share your thoughts in your journal and be sure to tell someone in your family one new thing you learned today.

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