

ROMEO AND JULIET

Dear Diary

Imagine you are Romeo when he has found out that he is to be banished for killing Tybalt, separating him from his love Juliet.

Write a diary entry detailing what happened and how you felt.

Use the key features of diary entries in your work

- Presentational/ organisational features such as the date or 'Dear diary.'
- Write in chronological order
- Use a personal, informal tone.
- Experiment with a secretive tone
- Use a combination of tenses—mainly past tense for events, present tense for current feelings and future tense for what they may do next.
- Use questions posed by the writer E.g. What will tomorrow bring? What should I do now?

Try using some key lines from the scene where Romeo fights Tybalt:

'Tybalt, the reason that I have to love thee
Doth much excuse the appertaining rage
To such a greeting.'

'I do protest I never injured thee,
But love thee better than thou canst devise'

'Gentle Mercutio, put thy rapier up.'

'Tybalt, Mercutio! The Prince expressly hath
Forbidden bandying in Verona streets'.

'I thought all for the best.'

'And fire-eyed fury be my conduct now.
Now, Tybalt, take the "villain" back again
That late thou gavest me, for Mercutio's soul
Is but a little way above our heads,'

'Oh, I am fortune's fool!'