

**SHAKESPEARIENCE!**

***Swords, Scenes & Soliloquies***

**R O M E O & J U L I E T**

Act 2, scene 2: *Balcony*

Romeo, Juliet

**ROMEO**

But, soft! what light through yonder window breaks? It is the east, and Juliet is the sun!

It is my lady, O, it is my love! O, that she knew she were!

See, how she leans her cheek upon her hand?

O, that I were a glove upon that hand, that I might touch that cheek!

**JULIET**

O Romeo, Romeo! wherefore art thou Romeo?

Deny thy father and refuse thy name;

Or, if thou wilt not, be but sworn my love, and I'll no longer be a Capulet.

**ROMEO**

Shall I hear more, or shall I speak at this?

**JULIET**

'Tis but thy name that is my enemy... What's in a name? that which we call a rose by any other name would smell as sweet.

*(Romeo steps forward to Juliet)*

What man art thou that thus bescreen'd in night so stumblest on my counsel?

**ROMEO**

My name, dear saint, is hateful to myself, because it is an enemy to thee.

**JULIET**

Art thou not Romeo and a Montague?

**ROMEO**

Neither, fair saint, if either thee dislike.

**JULIET**

This is the place death, considering who thou art, if any of my kinsmen find thee here.

**ROMEO**

Alack, there lies more peril in thine eye than twenty of their swords.

**JULIET**

Dost thou love me? O gentle Romeo, pronounce it faithfully.

**ROMEO**

If my heart's dear love-

**JULIET**

Well, do not swear: It is too rash, too unadvised, too sudden;  
Good night, good night!

**ROMEO**

O, wilt thou leave me so unsatisfied?

**JULIET**

What satisfaction canst thou have to-night?

**ROMEO**

The exchange of thy love's faithful vow for mine.

**JULIET**

Good night, good night! parting is such sweet sorrow,  
That I shall say good night till it be morrow.

**ROMEO**

Sleep dwell upon thine eyes, so sweet to rest!