

ABOUT HAMLET BY WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE

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ANNOTATION Hamlet, written by William Shakespeare, is a timeless masterpiece that has captivated audiences for centuries due to its complex plot, fascinating characters, and profound concepts. This article provides an in-depth examination of Hamlet, delving into its intricate storyline, the motivations of its characters, and the underlying themes it conveys. By carefully analysing the literary aspects and critical views, we reveal the lasting importance and profound influence of Shakespeare's famous tragedy.

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INTRODUCTION

For its study of existential difficulties, moral complexity, and human weakness, Hamlet remains one of Shakespeare's most popular plays. In the Danish royal court, Prince Hamlet struggles with his father's unexpected death, his mother's quick remarriage to his uncle Claudius, and his existential crisis. We hope to illuminate Hamlet's complexity and broad appeal as we read it. Political intrigue, familial treachery, and psychological suffering frame Hamlet's story. Retribution, madness, mortality, and existence are central to the drama. Shakespeare uses soliloquies, foreshadowing, and dramatic irony to convey Hamlet's inner struggle and the royal court's Machiavellian schemes. The drama centres on Hamlet's conundrum. Scholars and audiences have debated his introspection, indecision, and moral dilemmas. Is

Hamlet crazy or using his unpredictable behaviour to hide his genuine intentions? We discover Hamlet's complex mind and the meaning behind his enigmatic words and deeds through close textual study. Shakespeare also has a broad cast of characters who symbolise different human traits. From the twisted Ophelia to the treacherous Claudius, these characters underscore Hamlet's moral issues. Shakespeare illuminates human nature and the dangers of ambition and betrayal via their relationships. Scholarly publications, critical essays, and theatrical versions inform our Hamlet analysis. We close-read important passages and analyse the play's structure, language, and symbolism. We also use psychoanalytic, feminist, and postcolonial views to better understand Hamlet's themes and characters.

ANALYSIS

Our analysis shows Hamlet's continued importance as an English literary masterwork. The play's universal themes and intriguing characters appeal to audiences of all ages. Shakespeare's language, imagery, and dramatic tension captivate readers and theatregoers, prompting them to contemplate the human condition and existence. Our analysis also illuminates Hamlet's interpretative complexity, showing how diverse critical views illuminate the play's meaning and significance. Hamlet encourages many interpretations and critical interactions, whether examined via a Freudian, feminist, or postcolonial viewpoint. It's thought that Shakespeare wrote "Hamlet" between 1599 and 1601. It's a tragedy about Prince Hamlet of Denmark, who seeks revenge on his uncle Claudius for murdering his father, King Hamlet, and then taking the kingdom by marrying Queen Gertrude. The play addresses revenge, madness, moral decay, and human complexity. It's known for its soliloquies, especially "To be, or not to be," when Hamlet contemplates life and its inequities. Hamlet is thoughtful, conflicted, and indecisive, which leads to his sad downfall. The play's sophisticated and psychologically interesting characters include Ophelia, Polonius, Horatio, and King Hamlet's ghost. "Hamlet" shaped literature, theatre, and popular culture. It's been adapted into many films, plays, and books, and its ideas resonate worldwide. Hamlet's

ageless themes, fascinating characters, and excellent storytelling make it popular and acclaimed. The play's timeless truths and existential dilemmas resonate with modern audiences despite its 400-year age. Hamlet's versatility and interpretative diversity make it relevant in many cultural and historical situations, reinforcing its literary classic status. However, Hamlet's complexity and ambiguity confront readers and interpreters. The play's open ending and moral issues invite viewers to consider its deeper significance. Hamlet's depiction of lunacy, gender dynamics, and political power poses important questions about society, identity, and morality today.

CONCLUSION

Finally, our examination of Hamlet emphasises its classic status in English literature. The drama captivates and provokes audiences worldwide with its universal themes, fascinating characters, and rich symbolism. Scholars and readers are reminded of Shakespeare's ability to transcend time and space and reveal the human condition and the complexities of our world. We encourage scholarly study, dramatic productions, and educational projects on Hamlet. We can better understand the play's timeless relevance and cultural impact by studying its themes, characters, and literary approaches. Hamlet proves that literature can illuminate the human experience and inspire generations.

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