

Questions

1. What is the political mood of the Romans? How does it change throughout the play?
2. In Act 1, what is Cassius planning?
3. What is the purpose behind the violent storm and unusual natural events in Act 1 Scene 3?
4. What purpose does Brutus's soliloquy serve in Act 2?
5. How does Portia's character change throughout the play?
6. How is Cassius a foil to Brutus?
7. Why does Caesar want to skip going to the Senate? Why does he decide against this?
8. What purpose does Decius have in Act 2?
9. How is Caesar warned about the conspiracy?
10. What is the purpose of Portia's soliloquy at the end of Act 2?
11. Why does Antony send a servant to Brutus after Caesar's death?
12. Why does Brutus eventually allow Antony to speak at Caesar's funeral?
13. Who is Cinna the poet?

Quotes

Who said it? Why is it significant?

14. "Beware of the ides of March."

15. "...this disturbed sky / Is not the walk in"

16. "Good friends, sweet friends, let me stir you up / To such a sudden flood of mutiny."

17. "Mark Antony shall I say that I am not well. / And for thy humor, I will stay at home."

18. "Et tu, brute?"

### Terms

Be familiar with the following and be able to identify what part of the play each term refers to.

19. Exposition

20. Protagonist

21. Conflict- what is the central conflict of the play?

22. Soliloquy

23. Rising action

24. Foreshadowing

25. Aside