**Name *Romeo & Juliet: Act Two Guide***

*Prologue and scene 1*:

*The Chorus recites the Act Two prologue, which reminds the audience that Romeo is now in love with Juliet but will face challenges in expressing his love due to him being her family’s enemy (likewise for her). In scene one, immediately after the Capulet feast, Mercutio teases Romeo about being in love with Rosaline (this is an example of dramatic irony). Romeo leaves Mercutio and Benvolio and goes to look for Juliet at her balcony.*

*Scene 2*:

*Romeo sneaks onto the Capulet property and hides under Juliet’s balcony. Thinking she’s alone, Juliet reveals how she feels about Romeo. In the beginning of this scene, Romeo can see and hear Juliet, but she cannot see or hear him!*

1. To what does Romeo compare Juliet when she appears on her balcony?

The sun

2. What does Juliet say about names?

Names don’t matter when you are in love

3. Why is Juliet embarrassed during the balcony scene?

Romeo overheard Juliet professing her love for him

4. What plans do Romeo and Juliet make at the end of the scene?

To get married

5. What tragic flaws are revealed in the characters of Romeo and Juliet so far?

Impulsive behaviors- make decisions to quickly

*Scene 3*:

1. What has Friar Lawrence been out gathering in his basket?

Flowers and plants

2. What does it say about the friar’s relationship with Romeo that he knows about Rosaline?

They have a close relationship with one another

3. What does Friar Lawrence mean when he says “Young men’s love then lies not truly in their hearts, but in their eyes”? You are not in love with Juliet, it is infatuation. You love her beauty.

4. What lesson is Friar Lawrence teaching Romeo when he says, “Wisely and slow. They stumble that run fast”? Take your time, go slowly, if you move to fast you will make mistakes

5. Why does Friar Lawrence agree to perform the marriage ceremony for Romeo and Juliet?

He feels that the union of the two children will bring peace to the families.

*Scene 4*:

*After learning that Tybalt has challenged Romeo to a duel, Mercutio calls Tybalt the Prince of Cats (meaning an excellent swordsman). Not wanting to fight Tybalt, Romeo dismisses the challenge. The nurse approaches Romeo and warns him that his intentions towards Juliet better be true and honorable. Romeo assures her they are and says he and Juliet will be married later that day.*

*Scene 5*:

*Juliet eagerly awaits the nurse’s return, as she is impatient to hear the news from Romeo. Enjoying the undivided attention she’s getting from Juliet, the nurse procrastinates in telling Juliet the plan. The nurse finally reveals that Juliet is to meet Romeo at Friar Lawrence’s cell that afternoon so she and Romeo can be married.*

*Scene 6:*

1. What does Friar Lawrence mean when he says, “Therefore, love moderately; long love doth so”? What lesson is he trying to teach Romeo?

**Take your time to fall in love, go slow, get to know one another**