



SANTA CRUZ SHAKESPEARE EDUCATION PROGRAM

THE TEMPEST

In one of his last plays, Shakespeare's *The Tempest* explores the relationship between art and magic, power and anger, and freedom and forgiveness. Is it more important to revenge ourselves on those who have wronged us, or to find reconciliation with our enemies? Below you will find resources to introduce this play to your students.



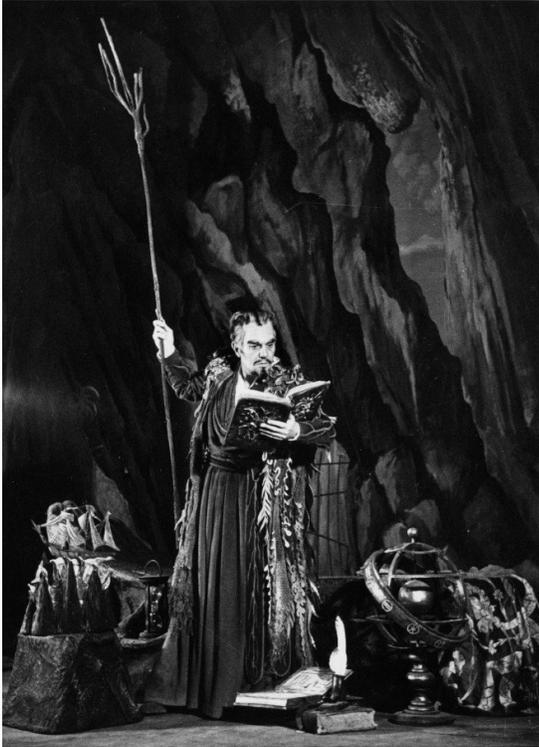
Listen, Read, & Watch

The Folger Shakespeare Library edition of *The Tempest* is a free online source for you and your students to download and read. You can also listen to a free audio recording of this play provided by Greatest AudioBooks using the link below. The Royal Shakespeare Company's performance of *The Tempest* is available to watch on youtube as well.

Listen: youtu.be/CMb4phUnSNI

Read: shakespeare.folger.edu/shakespeares-works/the-tempest

Watch: [Royal Shakespeare Company *The Tempest*](#)



The Plot

Magic, revenge, and a wedding! The Royal Shakespeare Theater collaborates with Lings Primary School to bring you a [video synopsis of *The Tempest*](#).

To read about the driving forces behind the plot of this play, [CLICK HERE](#).

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The Tempest:
Understanding Characters & Relationships

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The Tempest: Character Descriptions

Characters Are Key

To further develop your students' understanding of this play it is important to explore the characters' backgrounds and their relationships with one another. The Donmar Shakespeare Trilogy provides a closer look into the characters of *The Tempest* by asking the student to choose a single character to profile and embody in a series of activities. Click on the images to the left to view the activities.

Sources & Influences

Elizabethan-era shipwrecks, the study of cannibals, and poems about fairies all are influences of Shakespeare's *The Tempest*. Click [HERE](#) to read about the sources and influences that Shakespeare might have used while writing this play.



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