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Act 4 Reading Questions

*Scene 1:*

1. Why is Friar Laurence reluctant to marry Paris to Juliet?
2. How does Paris explain the sudden haste of the marriage plans?
3. What is ironic about the conversation between Juliet and Paris?
4. If Friar Laurence cannot help her, what does Juliet threaten to do?
5. Why does Friar Laurence think that Juliet will accept his plan?
6. List some of the things Juliet says she’d do to live an “unstained wife to my sweet love:”
7. Describe the friar’s plan for Juliet.

*Scene 2*:

1. What does Juliet say that makes her father happy?
2. How does Capulet change the wedding plans? What implication does this have?

*Scene 3*:

1. How does Juliet show her maturity and independence in this scene?
2. If the potion does not work, what will Juliet do?
3. What are some of the fears Juliet has about the potion?

*Scene 4*:

1. What is happening in this brief scene?

*Scene 5*:

1. What figurative language does Lord Capulet use in describing Juliet’s “death”?
2. Who or what does Lord Capulet says is now his son-in-law? Why?
3. What does Friar Laurence say to comfort the Capulet family?
4. What event are the Capulets now preparing for?