1. Match the two halves of the sentences, then number them from 1 to 5 in story order.

A. When the party ended...
B. Benvolio and Mercutio wanted to dance...
C. At the Capulets’ mansion...
D. When Romeo kissed her...
E. Straightening her dress...

...the place was buzzing with excitement.
...Juliet went down the grand marble staircase to the banqueting hall.
...but Romeo stood still.
...she felt her heart fluttering.
...Romeo sneaked outside and hid in the Capulets’ garden.

2. Cross out the mistakes in the sentences below, and write corrections at the end of the sentence.

A. Romeo was waiting for her and the nurse performed the secret wedding at once. ................................
B. Romeo dropped the poison and ran for his life. .................................
C. Love spread fast in Verona and the nurse soon heard what had happened. .................................
D. That night, Romeo went again to the Montagues’ garden and climbed up the ivy to Juliet’s balcony. .................................
E. Friar Laurence was planning messages in his garden when Juliet arrived. .................................

3. Put the nouns in the right places to complete the paragraph.

That ................., Juliet sat on her .................. Carefully she uncorked the ................. Friar Laurence had given her and drank every last ................. of the bitter ..................
A few ................. later, she fell into a deep, deep ..................

4. Choose the word on the right that best matches the sense of the phrase on the left.

A. The families were sworn enemies and they were always fighting. trick
B. “Your body will be cold and it will look as if you’re dead.” bribe
C. “Of course I’ll marry Count Paris on Thursday.” lie
D. But Romeo saw he was poor and offered him forty gold coins. feud

5. Divide the words below into two categories, and write them in lists under the emotion you think they match best.

ANGER

SADNESS

snarled woe feud
desperate raged heartbroken
scowled sobbed furious
hatred unhappy wept

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Writing activity: Imagine how Juliet might write to an agony aunt in a magazine if she couldn’t confide in her nurse or Friar Laurence on page 39. Describe her situation as clearly as you can, then think what advice the agony aunt might give.

“Dear Annie, I don’t know what to do....”