

Who?

Shakespeare was a playwright, actor, and a poet. He was born in England and was considered the greatest dramatist of all time. His works are known throughout the world.

Popular quotes of

Shakespeare "There are more things in heaven and earth, Horatio, Than are dreamt of in our philosophy."

Hamlet (to Horatio on seeing a ghost)

"The fault, dear Brutus, is not in our stars,

But in ourselves, that we are underlings." **Julius Caesar**

(Cassius to Brutus)

"Life's but a walking shadow, a poor player

That struts and frets his hour upon the stage,

And then is heard no more."

— **Macbeth** (on learning of the death of Queen)

"All the world's a stage,
"And all the men and women merely players.
"They have their exits and their entrances;
"And one man in his time plays many parts" **"As You Like It"**



How?

the Divine Right of Kings influenced William Shakespeare's

Shakespeare was aware of the pain caused by the religious conflict amidst the religious upheavals that plagued the English self in the first half of the 16th century. We cannot describe Shakespeare with atheism definitively. [The divine right of kings is a political and religious doctrine of royal and political legitimacy. It asserts that a monarch is subject to no earthly authority, deriving the right to rule directly from the will of God]

Shakespeare's Play

Types:

- **Tragedies** normally feature

*A tragic hero_A dichotomy of good and evil-A tragic waste-Hamartia- Issues of fate or fortune-Supernatural elements-pressures-The paradox of life **like Hamlet, Macbeth, King Lear, Julius Caesar, and Romeo and Juliet.**

-**Comedies** Show

a struggle of young lovers to overcome problems, often the result of the interference of their elders. Such as *Midsummer night's Dream* and *Much Ado About Nothing*

-**Histories** **like** *Anthony and Cleopatra, Henry VIII and Richard*

Romances **like** *The Tempest, Cymbeline, and The Winter's Tale.*