

Activity 1 - Start getting used to the slang...

(Optional: make it a game: join a team and try to guess the meaning, then do the research in class and find who the winning team is!)

In the left column you can see a collection of phrases and sayings found in Shakespeare's writings and still in use today. Do some research and find out and write each meaning in the right column.

IN STITCHES

con puntos

IN THE TWINKLING OF AN EYE

LIE LOW

LOVE IS BLIND

el amor es ciego

MAKE YOUR HAND STAND ON END

hacer que alguien se ponga de pie

MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING

mucho ruido pocas cosas

NIGHT OWL

SEND SOMEONE PACKING

THE GAME IS UP

el juego ha terminado

UP IN ARMS

en pie de guerra

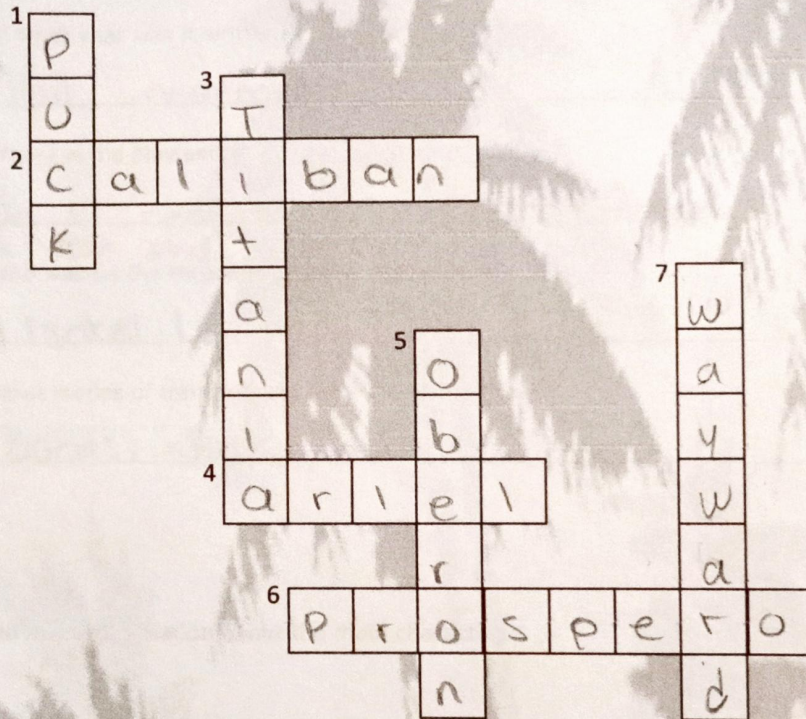
VANISH INTO THIN AIR

WEAR YOUR HEART ON YOUR SLEEVE

- to laugh very hard, possibly to the point of being in pain.
- Another way of saying something happened really fast.
- To be a threat to the other man
- Sometimes one's feelings for their loved ones can obscure reality.
- Terror and shock feeling of terror or shock he feels at the sight
- When someone is overreacting and makes a big deal of fuss over something unimportant.
- Staying aloof and separate from other people.
- To scream, vanmoose, get lost, beat it, etc.
- A means of expressing that all was lost.
- To be angry about something or to be opposed to something.
- To disappear without a trace.
- To make your emotions known, or to not hide how you feel

Activity 2 – Shakespearean Magical Characters.

Do some research and solve this crossword



- 1- a clever, mischievous jester to the King of fairies (AMND)
- 2- A half human, son of a witch, who inhabited an island before humans arrived on it due to a shipwreck. (TT)
- 3- the Queen of fairies (AMND)
- 4- spirit bound to serve a magician who rescued him from the tree in which he was imprisoned by a witch (TT)
- 5- the King of fairies (AMND)
- 6- A duke who has learned sorcery from books, and uses it while on an island to protect his daughter and control the other characters (TT)
- 7- (the weird _____) are three prophets who hail a the general, and predict his ascent to kingship (M)

AMND- A Midsummer Night's Dream

TT- The Tempest

ACTIVITY 3

Do some research and answer these questions prior to the play

1. Who wrote The Tempest?

William Shakespeare

2. In what year was it written?

1611 november 1

3. Where is the play set?

On a remote island and Prospero's home is
a near the shore.

4. Who was on the throne of England at the time?

Isabel I

5. What modes of transport did they use at the time?

boats, ships, horses

Now, find basic information about the main characters:

6. Where is Prospero originally from?

Milán

7. Who is Prospero's brother?

Antonio

8. Who is Prospero's daughter?

Miranda