

THE WINTER'S TALE

ACT 3



ACT III
APOLLO BE MY JUDGE

CLEOMENES AND DION - LORDS OF THE COURT OF LEONTES - HAVE JUST RETURNED FROM THEIR LONG JOURNEY ACROSS THE SEA TO GREECE

THEIR FRIENDS CAN'T WAIT TO HEAR WHAT VISITING THE ORACLE WAS LIKE - THEY'RE ALL A LITTLE BIT JEALOUS THAT THEY DIDN'T GET TO GO ON THIS IMPORTANT TRIP!

CLEOMENES TELLS THEM HOW BEAUTIFUL EVERYTHING WAS!

DION WAS SUPER-IMPRESSED BY THE HUGE STATUE OF APOLLO. BUT WHAT REALLY BLEW THEM BOTH AWAY WAS THE ORACLE HERSELF - HOW LOUD SHE WAS!

IT'S A BIT LIKE THEY'VE COME BACK FROM A HOLIDAY, TILL EVERYONE NOTICES THE SEALED SCROLL THAT DION IS CARRYING, AND THEY ALL FALL SILENT. SUDDENLY EVERYONE REMEMBERS WHAT MESSAGE IS HIDDEN INSIDE, AND HOW SERIOUS THIS MOMENT IS. WHAT IS THE TRUTH THAT THE ORACLE WILL REVEAL? WHAT IS GOING TO HAPPEN TO HERMIONE?

The temple

Statue of Apollo

The Oracle!

1. Complete the phrase below

_____ be my judge

2. Where have Cleomenes and Dion just returned from?

3. What word is used in the text to describe their journey?

Tick one box

Fast

Exciting

Long

Tiring



4. Who is on trial?

5. Do people believe she is

Guilty Innocent

6. Write down two things that Hermione is accused of?

7. Does Hermione hate Leontes?

YES NO

Explain your answer with reference to the text



8. What holds “the words of the Oracle”? Write one word

9. Why does “the crowd hold it’s breath”?

10. Draw lines to the complete the words of The Oracle

Hermione is	chaste
Camillo a	jealous tyrant
Polixenes is	blameless
Leontes a	true subject

11. Does The Oracle agree with Leontes

YES NO



12. Where does Antigonus' boat land?

Off the coast of...

Sicilia

Ireland

Greece

Bohemia

13. What name does Antigonus give the baby he is leaving?

14. What does this name mean?



15. What happens as Antigonus is about to return to his ship?

16. Who finds the "bairn"?

17. What does 'bairn' mean?

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ANSWERS

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Apollo be my judge

2. **Where have Cleomenes and Dion just returned from?**

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3. **What word is used in the text to describe their journey?**

Tick one box

Long

4. **Who is on trial?**

Hermione

5. **Do people believe she is**

Innocent

6. **Write down two things that Hermione is accused of?**

Betraying Leontes with Polixenes

Conspiring with Camillo

7. **Does Hermione hate Leontes?**

NO

Explain your answer with reference to the text

It says that Leontes "stares at his with with hatred" but "there is no hatred in the look that Hermione returns- only sorrow"

8. **What holds "the words of the Oracle"? Write one word**

Scroll

9. **Why does "the crowd hold it's breath"?**

Because they are so excited/nervous about hearing whether Leontes is right or wrong in his accusations against Hermione.

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Perdita

14. **What does this name mean?**

"she who has been lost"

15. **What happens as Antigonus is about to return to his ship?**

He gets chased/eaten by a bear

16. **Who finds the "bairn"?**

A shepherd and his son

17. **What does 'bairn' mean?**

baby