

THE WINTER'S TALE

ACT 2



- At the beginning of Act 2 the author describes how Leontes has changed.

Complete each phrase below, using exact words/phrases from the text

From loving to _____

From wise to _____

From happy to _____

- Who is Paulina? Tick 2 boxes

A lady of the court

Mamillius' childminder

Hermione's greatest friend

Leontes' greatest friend



3. “YOU, MY LORDS, LOOK ON HER, MARK HER WELL: SHE HAS BETRAYED ME!”

a. Who is Leontes talking about here?

b. How does Leontes think Hermione has betrayed him?

4. What does Leontes’ demand the guards do? Tick 1 box

Take Polixenes away

Take Paulina away

Take Hermione to the dungeons

Go away themselves

5. Who thinks Leonte’s suspicions are right? Write a one word answer



6. What happens to Hermione in the dungeon?

7. Write down two words that are used to describe Paulina in the text

i. _____

ii. _____

8. What has happened to Mamillius since he was “snatched from his mother”? Write down two words from the text

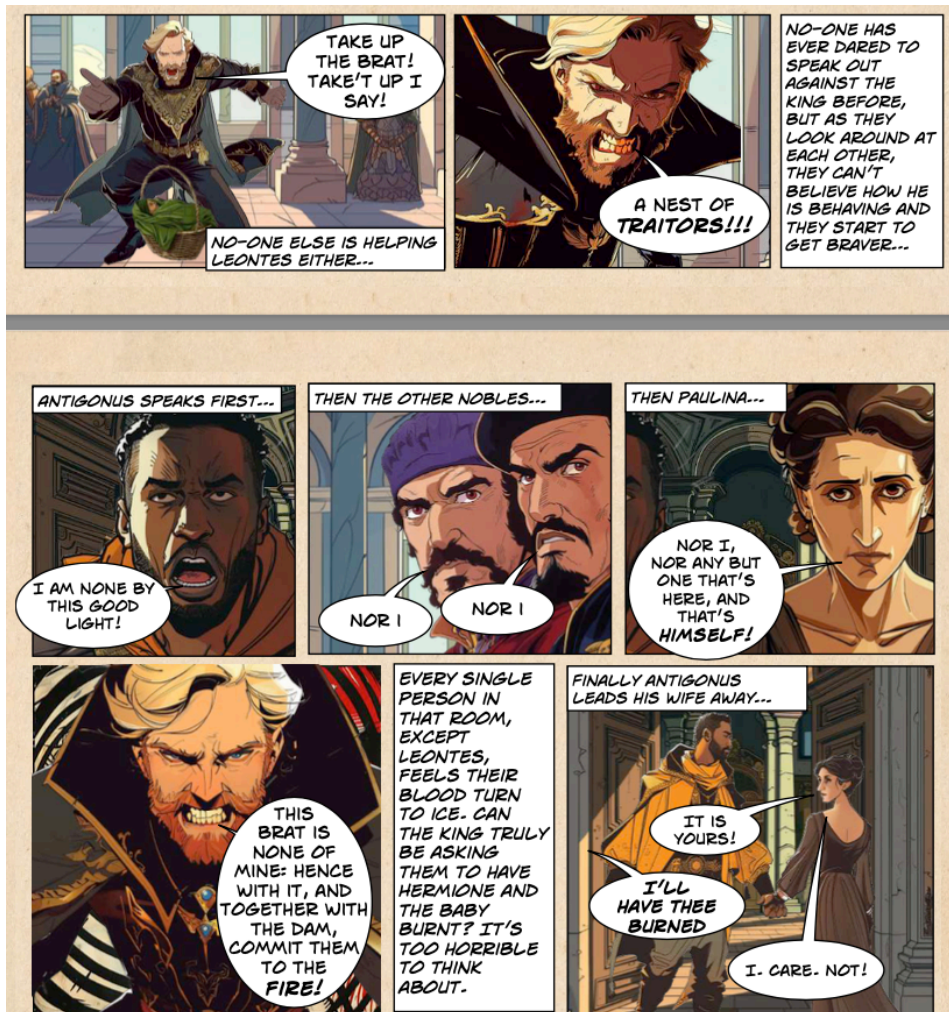
i. _____

ii. _____

9. Why does Leontes think Mamillius has been ill? Tick one box

A reaction to his mum’s dishonest behaviour

Because he stayed up late at the party



10a. Who is the first to be brave and speak out against Leontes?

10b. What do they say? Use a direct quote from the text.

11. "Every single person in that room, except Leontes, feels their blood turn to ice"

What does this description mean?



12. What does Leontes' ask Antigonus to do with the baby?
Tick one box

- Take the baby back to Hermione
- Take the baby to Paulina
- Take the baby to a deserted place
- Take the baby to the party

13. Write three words to describe how Leonte's is feeling by the end of Act 2

14. Write three words to describe how Hermione is feeling by the end of Act 2

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ANSWERS

1. From loving to **savage**
From wise to **foolish**
From happy to **a creature possessed by rage**
2. **Who is Paulina? Tick 2 boxes**
A lady of the court
Hermione's greatest friend
3. **"YOU, MY LORDS, LOOK ON HER, MARK HER WELL: SHE HAS BETRAYED ME!"**
 - a. **Who is Leontes talking about here?**
Hermione
 - b. **How does Leontes think Hermione has betrayed him?**
She is in love with Polixenes/cheating on him/having an affair
4. **What does Leontes' demand the guards do? Tick 1 box**
Take Hermione to the dungeons
5. **Who thinks Leonte's suspicions are right? Write a one word answer**
NO-ONE

A DAUGHTER AND A GOODLY BABE. THE QUEEN RECEIVES MUCH COMFORT IN IT

SO HERMIONE HAS GIVEN BIRTH TO HER BABY DAUGHTER WHILE IN THE DUNGEON!!! THANK GOODNESS THE BABY IS OK. MAYBE PAULINA CAN TURN THIS SITUATION TO HERMIONE'S ADVANTAGE AND GET HER SET FREE!

HE MUST BE TOLD ON IT, I'LL SHOW THE KING AND UNDERTAKE TO BE HER ADVOCATE TO THE LOUDEST. HE MAY SOFTEN AT THE SIGHT OF THE CHILD!

ALL IS NOT YET LOST! PAULINA IS BRAVE AND WISE - A WARRIOR IN SPIRIT, SHE'S LIKE THE FIERCEST HEAD TEACHER YOU'VE EVER MET, AND WITH HER ON YOUR SIDE, YOU SHOULD NEVER GIVE UP.

SINCE HE WAS SNATCHED FROM HIS MOTHER, AND SHE WAS THROWN INTO PRISON, POOR MAMILLIUS HAS BEEN ILL, FEVERISH.

HOW DOES THE BOY?

HE TOOK GOOD REST TONIGHT. 'TIS HOPED HIS SICKNESS IS DISCHARGED

TO SEE HIS NOBLENESS! CONCEIVING THE DISHONOUR OF HIS MOTHER, HE STRAIGHT DECLINED, DROOPED, TOOK IT DEEPLY

6. **What happens to Hermione in the dungeon?**

She give birth to a baby girl

Write down two words that are used to describe Paulina in the text

Brave

Wise

7. **What has happened to Mamillius since he was “snatched from his mother”? Write down two words from the text**

Ill

feverish

8. **Why does Leontes think Mamillius has been ill? Tick one box**

A reaction to his mum’s dishonest behaviour

- 10a. Who is the first to be brave and speak out against Leontes?**

Antigonus

- 10b. What do they say? Use a direct quote from the text.**

I am none by this good light

- 11. “Every single person in that room, except Leontes, feels their blood turn to ice”**

What does this description mean?

Everyone is scared

- 12. What does Leontes’ ask Antigonus to do with the baby?**

Tick one box

Take the baby to a deserted place

- 13. Write three words to describe how Leonte’s is feeling by the end of Act 2**

Answers can-and will- vary but must reflect jealousy, anger, hurt, furious, envious, etc!

- 14. Write three words to describe how Hermione is feeling by the end of Act 2**

Answers can-and will- vary but must reflect worry, hurt, scared, lonely, confused, etc!