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RHETORICAL QUESTIONS

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Rhetorical questions are a language device used to make the audience or reader think.

They are thought provoking questions that do not need an answer. For example:

“Was fighting all those people worth it?” “Why did it end like this?”

Useful Video:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zmfc7ty/articles/z7dyvk7>

WHO HOW WHAT
ARE KEY WORDS
WHERE WHEN WHY

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Instructions: Tick whether the sentence is a question or a rhetorical question

	Question	Rhetorical question
How could my wife love another man when she is supposed to love me?		
What are you all talking about?		
Should I stay and obey a king who does wrong, or leave to do what is right?"		
Why do you say that?		
How fares our gracious lady?		
Can I ever forgive such betrayal in my own house?		
How does the boy?		
Can I trust my own eyes when my heart is so full of anger?"		
Traitors, will you not push her out?		
Was he met there? Camillo with him?		

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Challenge:

Read each rhetorical question and match it to the name of the character who thinks it in Act 2

How could my wife love another man when she is supposed to love me?

Can I ever forgive such betrayal in my own house?

Should I stay and obey a king who does wrong, or leave to do what is right?

How can anyone be so cruel to an innocent child?"

Can I trust my own eyes when my heart is so full of anger?"

How much suffering must a family face before justice is done?

HERMIONE

LEONTES

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CAMILLO

PAULINA

LEONTES