

### Shakespearian Translations:

Does = Doth (pronounced Duth—like dust, but with a “th” on the end)

She **doth** covet the grapes in the basket.

Has = Hath, or Hast

She **hath** stolen those grapes. She **hast** stolen those apples.

Your = Thy (possessive, like “your grapes”)

She is throwing **thy** grapes at **thy** sister!

Your = Thine (used instead of “thy” when the word after it starts with a vowel—sort of like we use “a” and “an”)

Thy carrots are fresher than **thine** onions.

Yours = Thine

These moldy carrots are **thine**.

You = Thou (usually at the beginning of a sentence or clause)

**Thou** hast stolen my apples.

You = Thee (usually at the end of a sentence or clause)

Thou hast stolen those apples thou hast with **thee**.

Are = Art

Thou **art** beautiful as the sun.

Beautiful = Fair

Thou art **fair** as the sun.

Often = Oft

I have **oft** thought of you.

Before = Ere

‘T will be many days **ere** you see me again

Soon = Anon

Thy carriage shall be here **anon**.

While = Whilst

I’ll serenade thee **whilst** thou waits.

Morning = Morrow

Good **morrow** to you, friend; would you like some carrots?

Probably = Belike

He sells moldy carrots, **belike** for want of money

### Phrases:

Go away! = **Get thee gone!**

Get off me, stop touching me! = **Unhand me!**

Please, I pray thee = Prithee

**Prithee**, take thy carrots someplace else.

Because someone wants, or because someone is lacking = for want of

He sells moldy carrots, **belike for want of** money

I think = Methinks

**Methinks** I will not buy thy carrots.

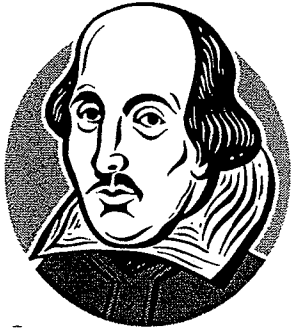
### Ways to make it sound like Shakespeare:

Put “eth” on the end of verbs instead of “s”

She runs (or she is running) away! = She **runneth** away!

Use old words instead of modern words

Your car is blocking my car, you idiot. = Thy carriage **dost** hinder the passage of my carriage, thou **lumbering** clod.

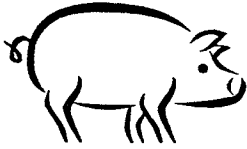


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Choose a word from each column to form your own Shakespearean insult. Begin with "Thou"; then hurl the phrase at an unsuspecting bystander. Now have fun, thou odiferous fly-bitten hugger-mugger!

<u>Column 1</u>	<u>Column 2</u>	<u>Column 3</u>
Artless	Bat-fowling	<b>Baggage</b>
Bawdy	Beef-witted	<b>Barnacle</b>
Bootless	Beetle-headed	<b>Bladder</b>
Brazen	Clay-brained	<b>Bugbear</b>
Churlish	Common-kissing	<b>Canker-blosson</b>
Craven	Dizzy-eyed	<b>Clot pole</b>
Dankish	Dog-hearted	<b>Codpiece</b>
Distempered	Earth-vexing	<b>Death-token</b>
Droning	Evil-eyed	<b>Eggshell</b>
Errant	Eye-offending	<b>Flap-dragon</b>
Fawning	Fat-kidneyed	<b>Foot-licker</b>
Fitful	Flap-mouthed	<b>Gull-catcher</b>
Gnarling	Fly-bitten	<b>Harpy</b>
Gorbellied	Fool-born	<b>Hedge-pig</b>
Greasy	Guts-gripping	<b>Hempseed</b>
Hideous	Hasty-witted	<b>Horn-beast</b>
Impertinent	Hell-hated	<b>Hugger-mugger</b>
Infectious	Hunch-backed	<b>Jack-a-nape</b>
Jarring	Idle-headed	<b>Knave</b>
Knavish	Ill-nurtured	<b>Lewdster</b>
Lumpish	Lily-livered	<b>Lout</b>
Lewd	Mad-bread	<b>Maggot-pie</b>
Mammering	Motley-minded	<b>Malt-worm</b>
Mewling	Onion-eyed	<b>Malignancy</b>
Odiferous	Pale-hearted	<b>Minimus</b>
Peevish	Pox-marked	<b>Minnow</b>
Pernicious	Reeling-ripe	<b>Moldwarp</b>
Puking	Rough-hewn	<b>Mumble-news</b>
Puny	Rude-growing	<b>Nut-hook</b>
Purpled	Rug-headed	<b>Pantaloon</b>
Queasy	Rump-fed	<b>Pigeon-egg</b>
Rank	Scurvy-valiant	<b>Pignut</b>
Reeky	Shag-eared	<b>Rampallion</b>
Saucy	Sheep-biting	<b>Rascal</b>
Spleeny	Sour-faced	<b>Ratsbane</b>
Spongy	Swag-bellied	<b>Remant</b>
Tottering	Tickle-brained	<b>Scallion</b>
Unmuzzled	Toad-spotted	<b>Snipe</b>
Vain	Unwash'd	<b>Strumpet</b>
Warped	Weak-hinged	<b>Toad</b>
Wart-necked		<b>Wench</b>
Wenching		<b>Whipster</b>

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Hour: \_\_\_\_\_



## Shakespearean Insults



**Directions:** Using your Shakespearean insult chart, combine words to create ten insults. You may include these insults in your skit. To receive 10 pts. credit, attach this sheet to the script for your skit.

*Example:* Thou peevish beetle-headed barnacle!

1) Thou \_\_\_\_\_

2) Thou \_\_\_\_\_

3) Thou \_\_\_\_\_

4) Thou \_\_\_\_\_

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