# <u>Shakespeare Webquest</u> <u>Name(s):</u>

**Directions:** Use the internet and the links on this document to answer questions about William Shakespeare. Using a different color or bold font will help me see your answers. Share it with me at the end.

# Task 1: Basics

What does he look like? Google a picture of William and drag it into this worksheet below:

Now you know what Shakespeare looked like let's find out some key facts about him.

- 1. Birthdate:
- 2. Deathdate:
- 3. Children?:
- 4. Married?:
- 5. Parent's names?:
- 6. Any siblings?:

# Task 2: The Globe

Watch the <u>Globe Tour video</u>. What are four things you learned? (if the youtube link does not work b/c of the firewall, then search out the Globe Theater on the internet elsewhere)

# Task 3: The Playwright

William Shakespeare was a playwright (somebody who

wrote plays for a job), he wrote many famous plays which are still performed today. They fit into three separate categories.

Follow this link to find three plays Shakespeare wrote and fill it in on your worksheet.

http://www.dlhoffman.com/publiclibrary/Shakespeare/b y-category.html

3 Plays he wrote:

3 Categories:

# Task 4: The Language of Shakespeare's Day

Shakespeare wrote in in a special way. Shakespeare wrote the way he did for poetic and dramatic purposes and people did not speak like this. Shakespeare used lots of insults in his plays, have a quick go on this insult generator to see what insults you can come up with. Write one down on your worksheet and cite where it came from. http://www.pangloss.com/seidel/Shaker/index.html Insult:

Play from which it came:

#### Task 5: Strange Shakespeare Facts and Rumours

There are many mysteries that surround the life of William Shakespeare - some are based on facts and some are based on fiction! Some are interesting facts, some are strange facts and some are down right weird facts! Click on the link below to research facts and rumours about Shakespeare, write down your favorite fact and your favorite rumor on your worksheet.

http://www.literarygenius.info/facts-about-william-shake speare.htm Fact

Fact:

Rumor:

# Task Six:

Raise your hand to let me know you have finished so I can mark you down for 10 formative points. Enjoy the rest of class.