**English 12**

**A Midsummer Night’s Dream**

**Study Guide**

**Please be familiar with the following characters and their relationships:**

**The Athenians**

1. Theseus:
2. Hippolyta:
3. Egeus:
4. Lysander:
5. Hermia:
6. Demetrius:
7. Helena:

**Fairies/Supernatural Characters**

1. Oberon:
2. Titania:
3. Puck:
4. Peaseblossom, Cobweb, Moth, Mustardseed:

**The Acting Troupe (aka workmen/tradesmen, laborers, rude mechanicals)**

1. Peter Quince:
2. Nick Bottom:
3. Francis Flute:
4. Snug:
5. Tom Snout:
6. Robin Starveling:
7. Give an example of a malapropism (where Bottom or another character mistakenly substitutes one word for another).
8. Give an example of a pun (where Shakespeare or a character intentionally plays on words with similar sound and dual meanings).
9. How does the story develop the theme that “love is blind” and “love is unreasonable and/or unpredictable”?
10. What are the four main plots of *A Midsummer Night’s Dream*?
11. What elements in Shakespeare's play *A Midsummer Night's Dream* make it one of his most popular comedies?

* **The test will consist of multiple choice, true/false, sequencing, matching, short answer, and essay.**
* **For vocabulary, you will need to be able to identify the BEST definition within a sentence.**
* **You will also need to be able to identify the speaker and person addressed for some famous lines from the play. You will also be asked to explain what the quotes mean in your own words.**