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Title

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Hook

One may be familiar with William Shakespeare's legendary tale Romeo and Juliet. Two lovers from rival families in Verona, Italy meet, they get married in secret, a few conflicts happen between swordsmen of the Capulet household against swordsmen of the Montague household, and major catastrophes occur in between. In terms of the deaths of Romeo and Juliet, the Capulet and Montague family feud, Friar Laurence, and Romeo himself are responsible for the deaths of Romeo and Juliet.

plot summary!
1-2 sentences

THESIS STATEMENT

Intro 4-6 sentences

TOPIC SENTENCE

Capulet, Montague, and their colossal family feud can be contributing factors in the deaths of Romeo and Juliet, specifically the Capulets. Since the families hate each other, Romeo and Juliet could never enjoy a real marriage and a real relationship because the stakes were too high and their love and their reputations would be compromised if caught together, since each came from rival families. Capulet tried to marry Juliet off too quickly and Lady Capulet convinced her to give in. Keep in mind that Romeo and Juliet are married at this point. One

Introduce quote (3.5.118)

could tell Juliet didn't want the marriage when she said, "He shall not make me a joyful bride." (III, v, 118), keeping true to herself that she is married to Romeo. The Capulets also convinced the prince to banish Romeo from Verona after he killed Tybalt. Lady Capulet says: "I beg for justice, which thou, Prince must give; Romeo slew Tybalt, he must not live." (III, i, 179-180).

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Though Tybalt killed Mercutio, from the Montague household, Romeo avenged Mercutio's death and was left to fend for himself in the streets of Verona, then Mantua, Italy. Another person someone can hold responsible for this whole occurrence is Friar Laurence.

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explanation

TRANSITION SENTENCE

If the Capulets were the poured-out gasoline, Friar Laurence was the match that lit the fire. First, Friar Laurence was the one who married Romeo and Juliet in secret because they were each from disputing households. The wedding is declared when Friar Laurence says, "Till Holy Church incorporate two in one." (II, iv, 37). Most of all, it was his big plan that went terribly sideways that was what made him considerable. He gave Juliet a fake death potion so she can escape marrying Paris and when she wakes up in her tomb, be then secretly escorted to Mantua, where Romeo was headed after his exile from Verona. And a close friend, Friar John, would deliver the message about the plan to Romeo. However, there was no backup plan if the main plan failed miserably. Friar John couldn't deliver the message because he was needed at a household when someone caught the Black Death. Balthasar, a friend of Friar Laurence and Romeo, ran to Mantua and told Romeo that Juliet died. And after that, Romeo buys a vial of poison he later uses to kill himself. Perhaps Friar Laurence should have sent the message before the plan was engaged. He knew the plan flopped big time ^{stang} when he said, "She will be beshrew me much that Romeo had no notice of these accidents." (V, ii, 26-27). All in all, the main person someone can point fingers at for the deaths for Romeo and Juliet is Romeo himself. ✓

One can probably consider Romeo a drama queen in the story and the main firestarter of the whole misadventure of him and Juliet because he rushed into all his decisions and killed Tybalt, Paris, and then himself. An example of Romeo's poor decision judgement would be that once he saw Juliet at the Capulets' party, he automatically declared love and he wanted to marry her a bit later on. Romeo says, "My lips, two blushing pilgrims, ready stand/ To smooth that rough touch with a tender kiss." (I, v, 95-96) when he took Juliet out of the party to kiss her. Romeo also killed Tybalt to avenge Mercutio, which got him banished from Verona, but

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one can't blame someone else for his or her actions. Romeo then defeated Paris in the Capulets' tomb, in which he was practically done for once he was found. If Romeo didn't automatically assume that Juliet was dead, he would have not bought the poison and headed back to mortal trouble in the tomb. He wouldn't have committed suicide and then Juliet would not have joined her Romeo in doing the same thing. Romeo says, "Thy drugs are quick. Thus with a kiss I die" (V, iii, 120) before drinking the poison. Romeo's hurried decisions started a chain reaction of multiple mishaps that lead up to his doom. Therefore, Romeo can be the main person to blame for the deaths of Romeo and Juliet.

Concluding sentence

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In conclusion, Capulet, Montague and the family feud, Friar Laurence, and Rome can all be to blame for the deaths of Romeo and Juliet. From the big family hassle, to the Capulets pushing Juliet into marriage, to Friar Laurence's awfully executed plan, to Romeo not giving his decisions much thought. The story of Romeo and Juliet should teach everyone that no matter how much hatred is in the air, love and happiness can always be found. There will always be the joyfulness everyone wishes for to think about. Sometimes.

4-6 sentences

2-3 sentences recapping points/ideas from body paragraphs

Connection to society
love, quick decisions, actions impacting others

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