

# Playing Shakespeare

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## Grades 1 to 4 / Ages 6 to 9

### 4 programs / 3 minutes

Year of production: 2006

*Playing Shakespeare* is an enlightening and engaging series that gives 6–9-year-olds an educational jumpstart into the world of classical English literature. Using a fun combination of live action and computer graphics, *Playing Shakespeare* uses rhyme to provide a synopsis of selected works by William Shakespeare. Each of the four programs introduces one of the following plays: *Hamlet*, *MacBeth*, *Romeo and Juliet*, and *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. As young viewers learn about the plot and its central characters and themes, they are encouraged to read the featured play and find out how it ends.

### Programs

#### ***Hamlet***

BPN 888253

Shakespeare outlines the tragic story of *Hamlet* and encourages the viewers to read the play to find out how it ends. (2:55)

#### ***MacBeth***

BPN 888254

Shakespeare outlines the tragic story of *MacBeth* and encourages the viewers to read the play to find out how it ends. (2:55)

#### ***Romeo and Juliet***

BPN 888255

Shakespeare outlines the romantic story of *Romeo & Juliet* and encourages the viewers to read the play to find out how it ends. (2:55)

#### ***A Midsummer's Night's Dream***

BPN 888256

Shakespeare outlines the comedy of *A Midsummer's Night's Dream* and encourages viewers to read the play to find out how it ends. (2:55)



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