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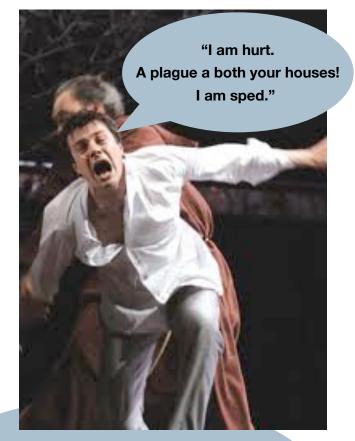
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Example:

Juliet says, "A rose by any other name would smell as sweet."

She figuratively means, "You'd be just as cute if your name was Ralph instead of Romeo."

Write your own paraphrasing of Mercutio's words in modern day speech in the bubble below. In Act III, Scene 1, Mercutio is stabbed by Tybalt and says ...





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Example:

Juliet says, "A rose by any other name would smell as sweet."

She figuratively means, "You'd be just as cute if your name was Ralph instead of Romeo."

Write your own paraphrasing of Juliet's words in modern day speech in the bubble below. "Parting is such sweet sorrow That I shall say good night till it be morrow."



