

## Winter's Tale: Tell The Tale Yourself

Goal: Create a deeper understanding of the plot.

Overview: Students tell the story to each other in a fun, succinct way.

Steps:

- 1. Divide students into 6 groups.
- 2. Each group is given a section of the play and a summary of that section. You can download the packets <u>here</u>.
- 3. In groups, students read the plot summary then create a 5-10 min play that tells the story of their section. Students are encouraged to:
  - a. Use a few lines of Shakespeare's text (included at the back of the packets).
  - b. Have fun and make the story accessible.
  - c. Use tropes as inspiration. Can it be a rom-com? Inspired by Harry Potter or Star Wars? Disney?
- 4. Instructor(s) side-coach students and provide blocking and clarity as needed.
- 5. Students present their scenes to the class, going in order of the play. Before they begin, they write out key plot points and themes.
- 6. Instructor(s) guide a discussion of themes and modern-day relevance.

