

Act Two
Scene Guide

Complete the following Scene Guide as you read Act Two.

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Comprehension Check

This exercise is meant to ensure that you have understood Act Two by asking you to recall its details. Please answer the following questions on a separate sheet of paper in complete sentences. Some answers are quite simple, while others require more thought.

Scene One

1. We are now introduced to the enchanted realm of this play: the forest and the fairies that inhabit it. In the opening, Puck meets a fairy servant to the queen. They discuss a certain situation regarding King Oberon and Queen Titania. What are Oberon and Titania fighting about?
2. What kind of mischief does the Fairy claim Robin Goodfellow has caused?
3. What sorts of tasks does Puck perform for the King?
4. Where does Titania say that Oberon has been? Who does she tease him about being in love with?
5. Who does Oberon say Titania is in love with?
6. Who are Oberon and Titania fighting over?
7. In your own words, what is the story behind the flower that Oberon asks Puck to fetch him? What does Oberon intend to do with it?
8. What does Oberon overhear in the wood?
9. How does Demetrius treat Helena? How does she respond?
10. What does Oberon tell Puck to do with the potion?

Scene Two

1. What does Oberon do to Titania as she lies sleeping?
2. What happens to Hermia and Lysander in the woods? What do they decide to do? What does Hermia insist upon?
3. What does Puck assume about Hermia and Lysander? What does he do?
4. What happens when Helena comes across Lysander?
5. What does Helena think of Lysander's behavior? What does Lysander swear as he runs after Helena?
6. Describe Hermia's dream. Why is her dream important?