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The Tragic Turning Point: Act 3 of 'Romeo and Juliet'

Open-Ended Response Questions

1. Analyze the theme of conflict as it escalates in Act 3 of "Romeo and Juliet." How do the actions of characters like Tybalt, Mercutio, and Romeo contribute to the growing conflict and tragedy?
2. Explore the character development of Juliet in Act 3. How does she evolve from a obedient daughter to a determined and resourceful young woman, willing to defy her family's wishes for the sake of love?
3. Reflect on the role of Friar Laurence in Act 3. How does he attempt to mediate the escalating conflict, and what are the consequences of his actions and advice for Romeo and Juliet?
4. Discuss the symbolism of Juliet's potion and her decision to take it. How does this act symbolize her commitment to Romeo and her determination to control her own destiny?

