

# United Curriculum

## End-of-Year Assessment 2023-24

English

Time: 45 minutes

Year 7

Paper 1 – End-of-Year Reading Assessment

School name: The Elms

Reading text: A Midsummer Night's Dream by William Shakespeare

# Resource Booklet

**This scene is taken from Act 2 Scene 1. Demetrius is in the woods chasing after Hermia and Helena follows him.**

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[ENTER DEMETRIUS, HELENA, following him]

**DEMETRIUS**

I love thee not, therefore pursue me not.

Where is Lysander and fair Hermia?

The one I'll slay, the other slayeth me.

Thou told'st me they were stolen unto this wood;

And here am I, and wode within this wood,

Because I cannot meet my Hermia.

Hence, get thee gone, and follow me no more.

**HELENA**

You draw me, you hard-hearted adamant;

But yet you draw not iron, for my heart

Is true as steel: leave you your power to draw,

And I shall have no power to follow you.

**DEMETRIUS**

Do I entice you? do I speak you fair?

Or, rather, do I not in plainest truth

Tell you, I do not, nor I cannot love you?

**HELENA**

And even for that do I love you the more.

I am your spaniel; and, Demetrius,

The more you beat me, I will fawn on you:

Use me but as your spaniel, spurn me, strike me,

Neglect me, lose me; only give me leave,

Unworthy as I am, to follow you.

What worser place can I beg in your love, -

And yet a place of high respect with me, -

Than to be used as you use your dog?

#### **DEMETRIUS**

Tempt not too much the hatred of my spirit;

For I am sick when I do look on thee.

#### **HELENA**

And I am sick when I look not on you.

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