

The Tempest

WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE



William Shakespeare

Born on April 1564

Studied at Stratford Grammar School

Married Anne Hathaway in 1582

Called as Bard of Avon

37 plays and 154 sonnets

Died on April 1616

The Tempest

Written probably in 1610

Considered as his Last Play

Included in the First Folio (1623)

Comedy / Romance

Considered as his farewell to the stage

Prospero

Play's protagonist

Father of Miranda

Former King of Naples

Lost his throne to Alonso

Spent twelve years in the island

Atlast forgive his enemies

Miranda

Daughter of Prospero

Never seen any men except his father

Very fragile and loving

At last married to Ferdinand

Ariel

Prospero's spirit helper

Rescued by Prospero

Created the eponymous Tempest

Prospero has to decide to release Ariel

Caliban

Prospero's another servant

Son of Sycorax, a witch

Rescued by Prospero from imprisonment

Prospero made him a slave

Ferdinand

Son and heir of Alonso

Good natured

Loves Miranda at his first sight

Accepts to servitude

Gonzalo

Honest old counsellor

Helped Prospero and Miranda

Remarks the beauty of the island

Saved Alonso from Antonio and Sebastian

Outline

Story began with the Tempest

The ship which carried Alonso, Sebastian, Antonio, Ferdinand, Gonzalo wrecked

They were returning from Claribel's Wedding in Africa

They safely reached shore but missed Ferdinand

From a distance Prospero narrating the past to his daughter Miranda

Prospero made the Tempest with the help of Ariel

Prospero's history

Prospero was the Duke of Milan

Usurped by Alonso and Antonio

Helped by Gonzalo with books and essentials

Reached the island and released Ariel and Caliban

Spent twelve years in the island

Taught Caliban the language

In the Island

Ariel made the troop to disperse

Ariel created lots of chaos to repent their sin

Ferdinand and Miranda loved each other

Ferdinand accepted for servitude to win Prospero's approval

At last everybody has reached the court of Prospero

Alonso sought forgiveness from Prospero

Prospero forgive and everybody has left the island to their place

Thank you

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