



WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE (1564 - 1616)

*The greatest of all playwrights
and poets of all times*



William Shakespeare was born on 23 April 1564 at Stratford-on-Avon in England



His father, John Shakespeare, was a glove-maker and a dealer in wool and other farm products.

His mother, Mary Arden, was a daughter of a farmer.



Shakespeare with parents

At the age of 7 William went to the Stratford Grammar School, where he studied for 6 years





At the age of 18, Shakespeare married the 26-year-old Anne Hathaway, a local farmer's daughter in November, 1582.



They had a daughter
Susanna and then twins,
Hamnet and Judith.

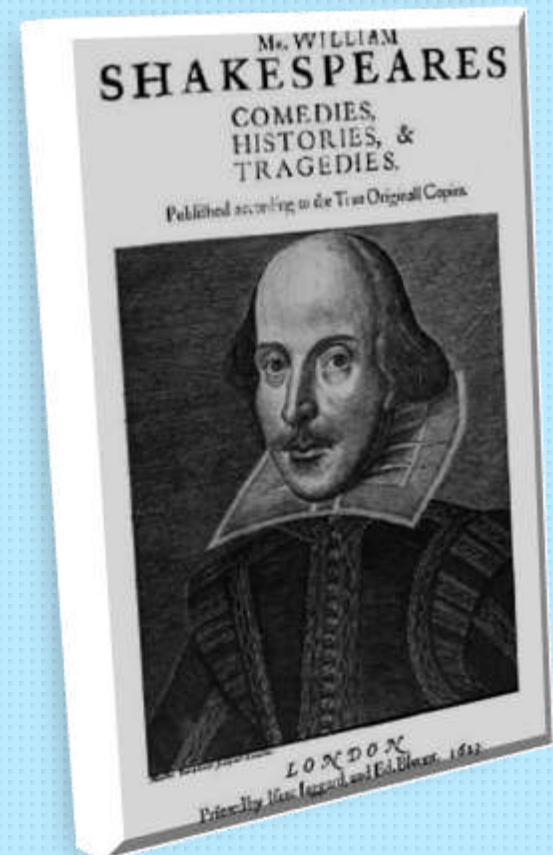
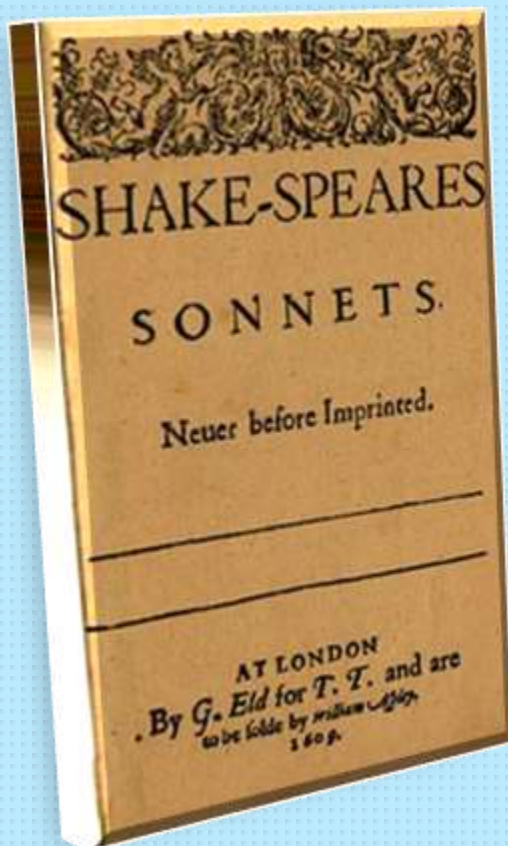
The youngest
Hamnet died at the
age of 11



In 1587 Shakespeare moved to London. He became the playwright of the famous “Globe” Theatre.



From 1592 to 1594 the Black Death spread across England. Many public places were closed and plays couldn't be performed either. Shakespeare spent these years writing sonnets and poems.



In 1599 William became a co-owner of the Globe Theatre in London. The Globe was circular in shape.





The Armorial Bearings of
WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE
of Stratford-upon-Avon.

College of Arms,
London.

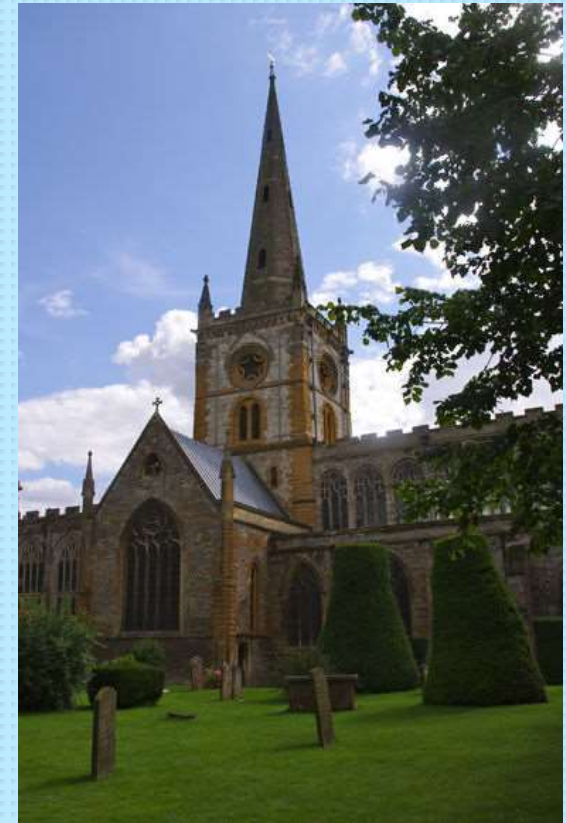
J. H. St. John-Armstrong
Chester Herald
and Registrar

In 1596 John Shakespeare, the playwright's father, was in the House heraldic emblem right on the famous Shakespearean shield for which William paid. Powered title gave him the right to subscribe "*William Shakespeare, gentleman.*"

In 1597 he bought the largest house in Stratford for his family when he was still in London.



In 1613 Shakespeare stopped writing and came back to Stratford where he died in 1616. William died on his birthday, 23 April.



William Shakespeare is often called England's national poet or 'The Bard of Avon'.

He wrote:

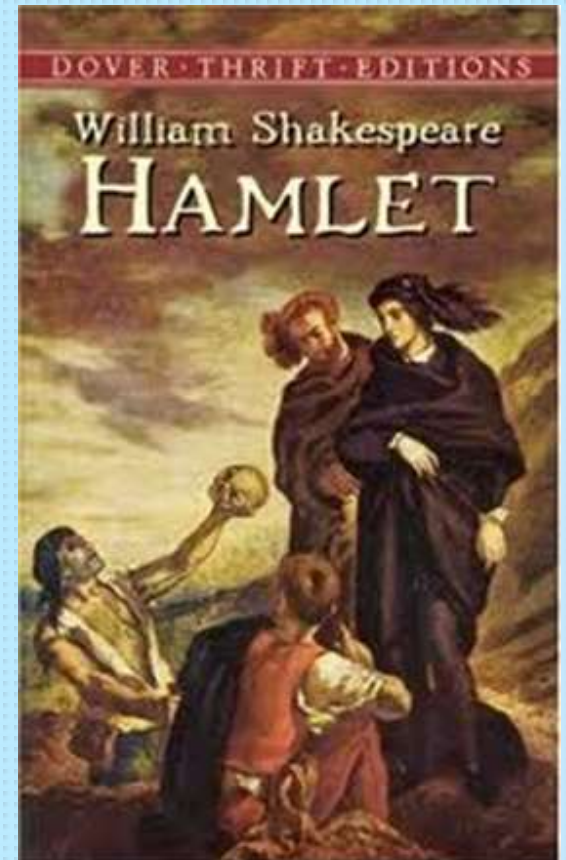
37 plays,
154 sonnets,
2 poems.



SHAKESPEARE' S PLAYS



- ☐ «The Comedy Of Errors»
 - ☐ «Romeo And Juliet»
 - ☐ «Julius Caesar»
 - ☐ «As You Like It»
 - ☐ «Twelfth Night»
 - ☐ « Hamlet»
 - ☐ «Othello»
 - ☐ «King Lear»
- and others





Many centuries have passed since his death, but Shakespeare is still considered to be the greatest of all playwrights and poets. His plays are still acted in the whole world.

The bronze statue of Shakespeare, presented to Stratford by Lord Ronald Sutherland Gower in 1988. Shakespeare's figure is high above the ground and on the ground there are small figures of Shakespeare's famous characters.

