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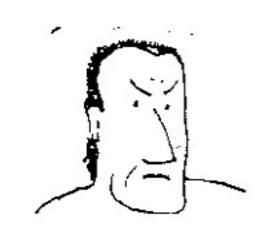
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Events to distort or exaggerate

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Dishonest

Patient

Noble

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Our collaborative talk for learning activities are designed to: ...build on prior knowledge.

- ...move from concrete to abstract thinking.
- ...ensure everyone works with everyone else.
- ...extend social language into curriculum language.
- ...provide motivating ways to go over the same topic more than once. For more details go to www.collaborativelearning.org

Good for all pupils! Vital for EAL pupils!

It's empowering to talk an idea through before you write about it!

If you don't get the chance to talk something through with others, you won't be able to write about it later confidently!

If you can persuade students to do something simple and playful together they will later jointly attempt something more difficult and challenging.

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## Death of Tybalt

Which qualities best describe?	From a Capulet point of view	From a Montague point of view
Romeo		
Tybalt		
Mercutio		

## Death of Tybalt - Qualities cards

Conciliatory	Murderous	Fair	Patient	Noble
Gentle	Kind	Kind	Barbaric	Dishonest
Honest	Thoughtful	Sensitive	Criminal	Moody
Short-tempered	Mischievous	Moody	Caring	Loyal
Fearsome	Stupid	Confrontational	Romantic	Arrogant
Unscrupulous	Savage	Cruel	Provocative	Thuggish
Brave http://www.collaborativelearning.org/deathoftybalt;	Violent	Aggressive	Underhand	Heartless

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Events to include	Events to distort or exaggerate	Events to omit

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Romeo entered.

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Tybalt and Mercutio fought.	Tybalt drew his sword.	Romeo said that he valued the name Capulet as dearly as his own.	Romeo told Tybalt that he had reason to be friends with him.
Romeo told Tybalt to put his sword away.	Mercutio drew his sword challenging Tybalt.	Romeo stepped between Tybalt and Mercutio.	Tybalt called Romeo   a villain.
The Prince arrived and banished Romeo.	Tybalt stabbed  Mercution beneath Romeo's arm.	Tybalt returned with his sword drawn.	Tybalt was looking   for Mercutio.
Tybalt and Mercution argued.	T — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —	Romeo and Tybalt fought and Tybalt fell down dead.	Benvolio told Mercutio and Tybalt to stop arguing in public.
Benvolio and Mercutio were talking in the street.	Benvolio told Romeo to run for his life.	Benvolio told Romeo that Mercutio was dead.	Tybalt entered with his followers.