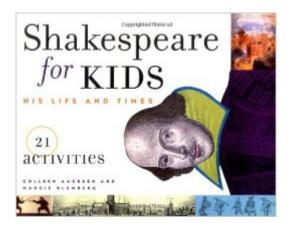
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# Shakespeare For Kids: His Life And Times, 21 Activities (For Kids Series)





# Synopsis

Kids can experience William Shakespeareâ <sup>™</sup>s England and get their first taste of the Bardâ <sup>™</sup>s sublime craft with this lively biography and activity book. Staging swordplay, learning to juggle, and creating authentic costumes like a flamboyant shirt with slashed sleeves or a ladyâ <sup>™</sup>s lace-trimmed glove bring the theater arts to life. Making a quill pen and using it to write a story, binding a simple book by hand, creating a fragrant pomander ball and a dish of stewed apples show what daily life was like in Elizabethan times. Inspired by scenes from Shakespeareâ <sup>™</sup>s plays, kids can invent new words, write songs, and devise scathing or comical insults just as he did. Fascinating and accurate historical information and 21 fun activities open a dramatic new world of learning for children ages 8 and up.

### **Book Information**

Series: For Kids series Paperback: 160 pages Publisher: Chicago Review Press; 1st edition (May 1, 1999) Language: English ISBN-10: 1556523475 ISBN-13: 978-1556523472 Product Dimensions: 11 x 0.4 x 8.5 inches Shipping Weight: 1.8 pounds (View shipping rates and policies) Average Customer Review: 4.6 out of 5 stars Â See all reviews (16 customer reviews) Best Sellers Rank: #162,747 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #33 in Books > Children's Books > Arts, Music & Photography > Performing Arts > Drama & Theater #65 in Books > Children's Books > Biographies > Literary #2711 in Books > Children's Books > Activities, Crafts & Games > Activity Books Age Range: 9 and up Grade Level: 4 and up

## **Customer Reviews**

Although this book is geared towards children, anyone can learn something new and interesting by reading this extremely informative and fun book. Not only can a younger reader learn to juggle like the queen's entertainers, but he or she can also learn how to write a sonnet or stage a sword fight. This book includes historical and political facts as well as what Shakespeare's life and the theater was like. Give this to any child and they will be quoting "A Midsummer Night's Dream", telling you

It was great to revisit one of my favorite places in the world = Stratford-Upon-Avon = and to learn about London and the theatre in the 16th century. I loved this book and my teenage boys loved it, too. It is beautifully written and well researched and the activities are a lot of fun.

If you like Shakespeare and you like kids, you'll love this book. I found this to be an original and colorful introduction the life and times of the Bard of Avon, which can be enjoyed by children as well as adults.

I bought this book hoping to use it for upper grades/middle school aged kids in a homeschool setting. I found the book to be informative with regards to the biographical bits, but found little in the way of "lesson plans". The activities provided are simple (Create New Wordsâ just what is sounds like. Use a pen and paper and invent some new words) and didn't provide the depth I was hoping for.

Such a fun book for giving your kids a bit of basic info on Shakespeare. It's not overwhelming with constant ramblings that no one (truthfully) understands. There are activities, personal stories of his life, and several of his plays. I browsed several Shakespeare books before purchasing this one to teach my children with. I definitely recommend to others.

i loved it. i have read it 6 times. i am a sophmore in highschool, and this book has helped me an A+ on my final exam in English history!! i am so happy!!!!! it not only for people 9-12!!!!

I bought this book on the basis of the fine reviews. It is good, glossy, and an easy read. My disappointment is that I did not realize that this book is not geared to high school students. I had hoped to find activities that would spark my students, but --there is, for me, too big a stretch between text and activity. I can see the making a bird feeder and the references to birds in Shakespeare's works at an earlier level, but not for high school seniors. The book is, however, filled with historical references and good pictures.

I am very, very pleased with this book. I found all of the information on Shakespeare fascinating and the activities will be very good for the programs our art organization is offering.

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