A Midsummer Night's Dream
Act 1, Scene 1 Comprehension Questions

1. Theseus ordered a "revel". When will it take place? Why at that time?

2. What does Theseus promise Hippolyta?

3. Why does Egeus bring Hermia, Lysander, and Demetrius to Theseus?

4. Why does Theseus tell Hermia to come to terms with her father's choice of husband for her?
(For this answer, you should both explain what Theseus says AND provide a quotation to prove it.)

5. What is Hermia's decision? (This is before she hears Lysander's plan.)

6. Why does Theseus lead Egeus and Demetrius away?
(Answer is not in the play…you have to think about the situation and devise a probably reason.)

7. What is Lysander's plan?

8. Why does Helena want to be like Hermia?

9. Why do Hermia and Lysander tell Helena the plan?

10. What does Helena intend to do with this information? Why?

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Act 1, Scene 2 Comprehension Questions

1. Why do the craftsmen meet?

2. Why is Quince the one assigning the roles?

3. What is Bottom's reaction to his assigned role?

4. What is Flute's concern about his assignment?

5. Why does Bottom want to play Flute's role?

6. What is Snug's worry?

7. Why does Bottom want to play Snug's role?

8. What do Quince and Bottom caution about the role of the Lion?

9. Why does Quince insist Bottom play Pyramus?

10. Where are the men to meet next? Why?