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Shakespeare Background: Using only your notes, answer the following questions.

1. Name two settings for Shakespeare's plays other than England.

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2. When did Queen Elizabeth I's reign begin? \_\_\_\_\_

3. When was Shakespeare born? \_\_\_\_\_

4. Who did Shakespeare marry in 1582? \_\_\_\_\_

5. How many died in the Bubonic Plague in 1563? \_\_\_\_\_

6. In 1599 the Lord Chamberlain's Men had a new theatre constructed. What was its name? \_\_\_\_\_

7. How old was Shakespeare when he died? \_\_\_\_\_

8. Why have his plays endured for centuries?

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9. How many plays did Shakespeare write? \_\_\_\_\_

10. Where was Shakespeare born? \_\_\_\_\_

11. What was the eventual effect of Puritanism on the theaters?

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12. How did the Renaissance affect people's viewpoint of destiny or fate?

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13. Why did people put so much emphasis on skillful use of language?

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14. What role did Queen Elizabeth and her successor, James I, play in the life of Shakespeare and his fellow actors?

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15. Name three ways in which the presentation of plays in Elizabethan times differed from presentation today.

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