## Writing Framework The Kronborg Chronicle

THE READINESS
ISALL"



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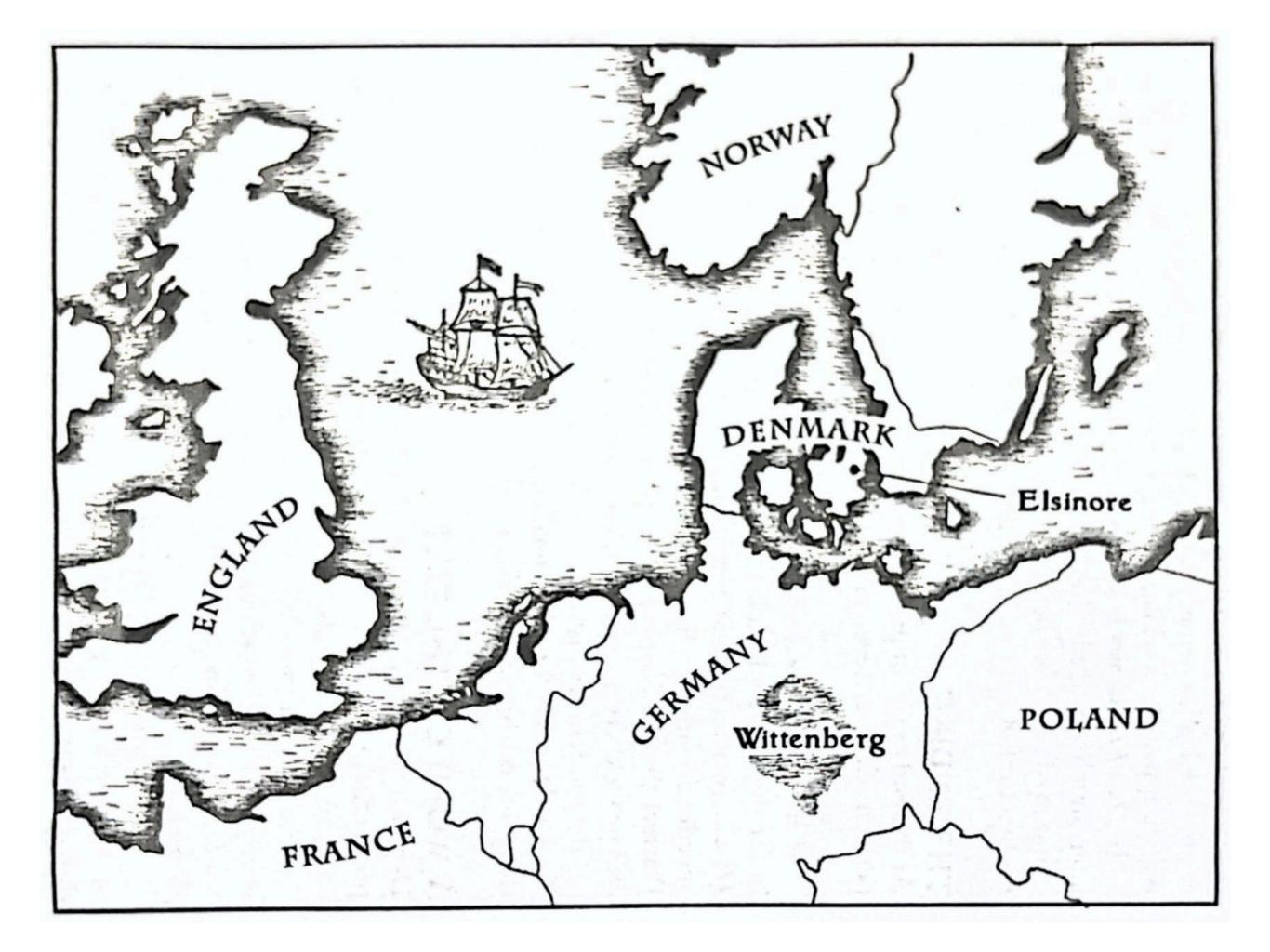


Other Uriting Opportunities



## Part One Elsinote

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# Part Two A Wedding at Elsinore

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O, that this too too solid flesh would melt

How weary, stale, flat and unprofitable, Seem to me all the uses of this world!

That it should come to this! But two months dead...

So excellent a king... so loving to my mother: and yet, within a month... married with my uncle

O, most wicked speed...

It is not nor it cannot come to good

But break, my heart; for I must hold my tongue.







An example:

This royal wedding, where the table is laden with silver platters of exquisite food as jagged ice cubes jostle in goblets,

But in the shadows <u>cruel</u>, <u>uncaring laughter rings out through</u> <u>long lonely corridors</u>

Claudius, the \_\_\_\_\_ king

Gertrude, the \_\_\_\_\_ queen

Hamlet, the \_\_\_\_\_ prince



All is not well... Foul deeds will rise,

Though all earth overwhelm them, to men's eyes.

#### Part Three

## Something is Rotten in the State of Denmark

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A storm blows. Enter HAMLET, HORATIO, and MARCELLUS.

#### **HAMLET**

The air bites shrewdly; it is very cold.

#### **HORATIO**

Look, my lord, it comes!

Enter GHOST

#### **HAMLET**

Angels and ministers of grace defend us!

GHOST beckons HAMLET.

#### HAMLET

It will not speak; then I will follow it.

#### **HORATIO**

Do not, my lord.

#### **MARCELLUS**

You shall not go, my lord.

HORATIO and MARCELLUS try to hold HAMLET back.

#### HAMLET

Hold off your hands...

My fate cries out. Go on; I'll follow thee.

Exeunt GHOST and HAMLET.

#### **HORATIO**

Let's follow.

#### **MARCELLUS**

Something is rotten in the state of Denmark.

Exeunt

#### **Enter GHOST and HAMLET**

HAMLET
Speak. I'll go no further.

GHOST Mark me.

HAMLET I will.

GHOST My hour is almost come.

HAMLET Speak. I am bound to hear.

#### **GHOST**

I am thy father's ghost.

Doomed for a certain term to walk this night,
And for day confined to fast in fires,
Til the foul crimes done in my days of nature
Are burnt and purged away.

HAMLET O God!

GHOST
Revenge his foul and most unnatural murder.

HAMLET Murder!

#### **GHOST**

Murder most foul.

#### HAMLET

Haste me to know't...

#### **GHOST**

The serpent that did sting thy father's life Now wears his crown.

#### HAMLET

O my prophetic soul! My uncle!

#### **GHOST**

Sleeping within the orchard...
Thy uncle stole... and in the porches of my ears did pour The leperous distillment;
Thus was I sleeping by a brother's hand...
Of life, of crown, of queen at once dispatched.
If thou hast nature in thee, bear it not;
Adieu, adieu! Hamlet, remember me... [GHOST exits]

#### **HAMLET**

O, Hold, hold, my heart; Ay, thou poor ghost... O villain, villain, smiling damnéd villain!

**GHOST** [A whisper off] Swear...

#### **HAMLET**

The time is out of joint. O curséd spite
That ever I was born to put it right! [HAMLET exits]

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### BEWENGE

the action of hurting or harming someone in return for an injury or wrong suffered at their hands.

### King Hamlet (and his Ghost)

Queen Gertrude

King Claudius

Ophelia



#### Part Four

### Now Might I Do It

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#### Part Five

### To Be or Not To Be

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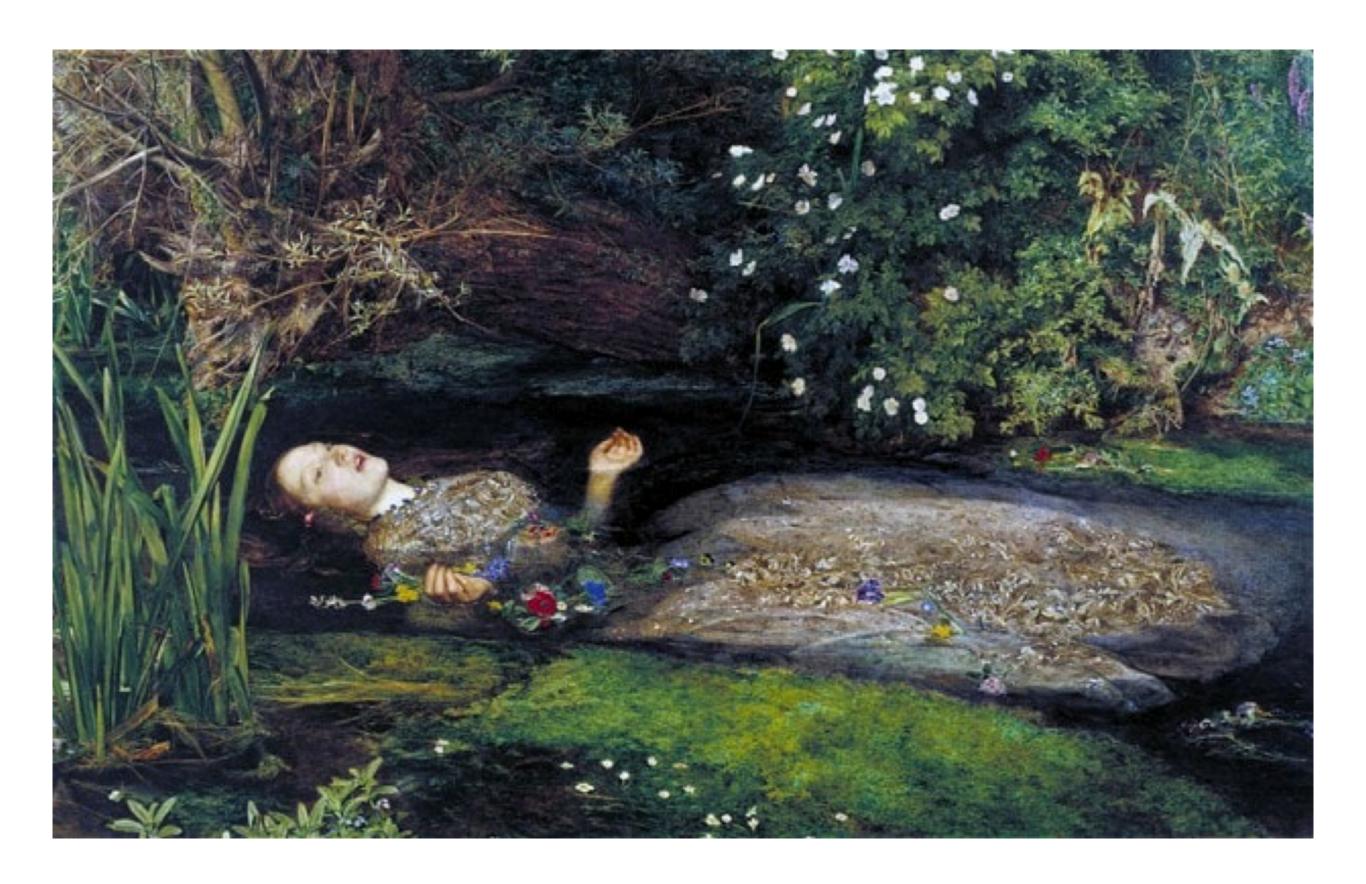
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#### **GERTRUDE**

There is a willow grows aslant a brook, That shows his leaves in the glassy stream; There with fantastic garlands did she come Of crow-flowers, nettles, daisies, and long purples... There, on the pendent boughs her coronet weeds Clambering to hang, an envious sliver broke; When down her weedy trophies and herself Fell in the weeping brook. Her clothes spread wide; And, mermaid-like, awhile they bore her up: Which time she chanted snatches of old tunes; As one incapable of her own distress, Or like a creature native and indued Unto that element: but long it could not be Till that her garments, heavy with their drink, Pull'd the poor wretch from her melodious lay To muddy death.

## Part Six The Readiness is All

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A:
Give me your pardon sir, I have done you wrong

B: Come, my lord





