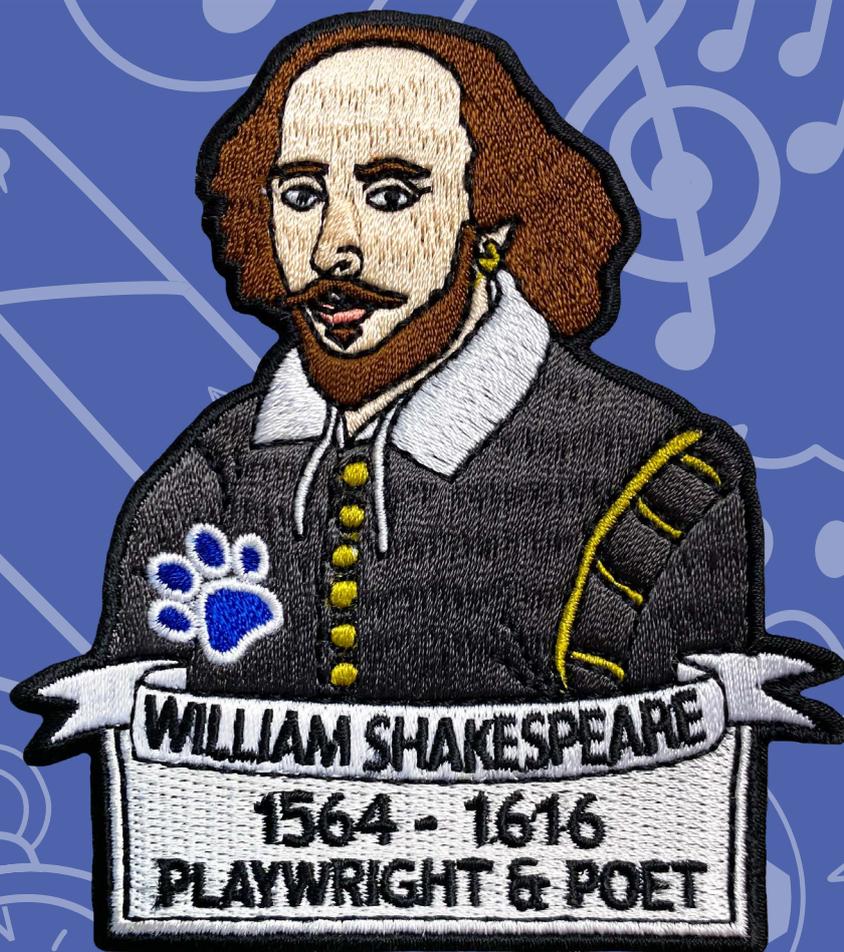


# William Shakespeare Challenge



**Possibly the greatest writer in the English language...**

Very little is known about the life of William Shakespeare other than what survives in official records. Let's discover him for ourselves in William's challenge!

For even more programme ideas check out our 'Shakespeare' board over on [www.Pinterest.com/PawprintFamily](http://www.Pinterest.com/PawprintFamily)

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# Meet the FAMILY

Hi there! We're Charlotte & Jamie, the husband and wife team behind the Pawprint Family and we believe in #AdventureForAll.

It's our mission to help leaders, teachers and parents save time by providing ideas and opportunities to help them deliver everyday adventure and skills for life. We do this through our family of brands; find out more below and head to the website for your next adventure!



## PAWPRINT BADGES

Pawprint Badges provides thousands of free activity ideas and resources to help leaders, teachers and parents deliver fun and adventure.

Every activity helps you share skills for life and is linked to one of our pawesome embroidered badges. Build your collection and celebrate adventures, new skills and knowledge gained.

## PAWPRINT TRAILS

Pawprint Trails are treasure-hunt style walks around locations in the UK. Solve puzzles, track down the answers and explore everything our great country has to offer.

From historical sights to popular culture discover something new or rediscover a love for where you live then collect the badge to remember your adventures!

Whether you're looking for the perfect addition to your next family holiday or a few hours of fun with friends; each trail can be completed in a few hours or extended with our activity suggestions in to a weekend or a week's worth of fun!

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Pawprint Tales are fully illustrated stories that can be enjoyed by the whole family. Join Alfie (our fox-red Labrador) on his adventures around the UK - solving puzzles, turning detective and making new friends. With twists and turns, every tale is an opportunity to discover new places, people and history without needing to leave the comfort of your own home.

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## PAWPRINT TRUST

Every brand in the Pawprint Family supports the Pawprint Trust with a percentage of profits from every sale providing grants to young people. We're passionate about enabling young people to access life changing adventures.

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# HOW TO: Use Your Challenge Pack



This Challenge Pack has been divided into 4 sections: Craft, Food, Games and Other. In order to help you provide a balanced and varied programme for your young adventurers we recommend that the following number of activities are completed by each age group:

<b>Age 3 - 5</b>						
<b>Age 5 - 7</b>		<b>Craft</b>	<b>Food</b>	<b>Games</b>	<b>Other</b>	<b>PICK</b>
<b>Age 7 - 11</b>	+					
<b>Age 11 - 14</b>	+					
<b>Age 14 - 18</b>	+					
<b>Age 18+</b>	+					

**Leaders, Teachers & Parents**  
Award yourselves a badge for supporting your young adventurers in their activities!

## TOP TIPS

- Adapt activities as necessary to meet your needs.
- Add your own activity ideas or develop them into projects.
- Use what you have; don't buy in lots of new materials/equipment.
- No need to send us evidence, responsible grown-ups decide when the badge has been earned.
- One challenge badge can take as long as you like; from a few hours to days or even a full term!

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# Craft

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Paint or draw a portrait of William Shakespeare.

## Why?

No one knows exactly what Shakespeare looked like. Your badge is based off *The Chandos Portrait* by John Taylor, the only portrait with any real claim to have been done from life and the first purchase of the National Portrait Gallery in 1856. Other depictions include *The Droeshout Portrait*, an engraving from the First Folio and the bust in Shakespeare's funerary monument in Holy Trinity Church, Stratford-upon-Avon.



Create your own or colour in a Shakespeare quote. Shakespeare is the second most quoted English writer after the writers of the Bible according to the Literary Encyclopedia.



Make your own witches costumes and recreate the opening scenes of *Macbeth*, first performed in 1606.



Decorate a masquerade mask, used in many Shakespeare plays including *Twelfth Night* and *Romeo and Juliet*.



Build a model of the Globe Theatre.

## What?

The Globe Theatre was the playhouse for which William Shakespeare wrote his plays. The original theatre was built in 1599, destroyed by fire in 1613, rebuilt in 1614 and then demolished in 1644. The modern Globe Theatre is based upon evidence from the time and welcomed over 1.25 million visitors each year!



Design your own theatre.



Turn a feather in to a quill and have a go at writing like Shakespeare.



Make a flower crown fit for Titania, the Queen of the Fairies in *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. You could use artificial flowers or make your own from paper.



The Shakespeare family were granted a coat-of-arms in 1596. Find out what it looks like and have a go at designing your own using our free resource.



Create your own peg doll fairies, like those in *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. Why not write your own fairy stories?



John Shakespeare, William's father, was one of 22 glove makers in Stratford. Have a go at making your own pair of gloves/mittens from an old jumper or creating your own glove puppet.



# Food

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-  Bake your own Shrewsbury Cakes, believed by historians to be the cakes referred to by Sir Toby Belch in *Twelfth Night*, "Dost thou think, because though are virtuous, there shall be no more cakes and ale?"
-  Create your own 'Cakespeare' inspired cupcakes complete with literary decorations including quotes, books and edible quill pens. Why not make them to celebrate Shakespeare Week or Shakespeare's birthday?
-  Use saffron to colour your own food or use it in a recipe. "I must have saffron to colour the warden pies;" *The Winter's Tale*.
-  Make a recipe using grapes, figs, blackberries, raspberries or plums.

## Why?

Evidence that all of these foods were enjoyed by audiences of Shakespeare's plays were found during excavations of The Rose and Globe theatres in 1988 and 1990.

-  Around the same time as Shakespeare, the play *Wit Without Money* complained about young apprentices cracking nuts throughout a performance. Take a look at nuts in their shells and see what this early version of popcorn looked and tasted like.
-  Try oysters, a popular treat for theatre goers in Shakespeare's day and featured in many of his plays including *The Merry Wives Of Windsor*, "The world's mine oyster."
-  Whip up your own gooseberry fool (named as Gooseberry Foyle in *Henry IV Part II*).

## What?

Made with whipped cream and cooked, mashed gooseberries, its a perfect summer pudding accompanied by a home made shortbread.

-  Model decorations from marzipan. In Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet* it appears as marchpane (the forerunner to marzipan) and was a popular dessert item used to make centre pieces and as a kind of pie with fruit.
-  Grow your own strawberries to give as a gift, "I saw some great strawberries in your garden. I beg you, send someone to bring some of them," *Richard III*.
-  Decorate masquerade mask-shaped biscuits with colourful sweets and icing.
-  Bake and decorate an edible model of The Globe theatre.



# Games

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-  Tragedy, comedy or history? Most of Shakespeare's plays fit in to one of these categories. How many can you guess correctly?
-  Play a trading game. At the time of his death Shakespeare was a wealthy man and owned shares in The Globe and King's Men.
-  Women were not allowed to act on stage during Shakespeare's lifetime and were first permitted to perform on the English stage in the early 1660s. Mix up the parts and role play your favourite stories.
-  William Shakespeare is an anagram of 'I am a weakish speller' how many words of 3 or more letters can you make from WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE?
-  How many words can you find in your name or how many ways to spell your name can you think of?

Why?

William Shakespeare has been spelled at least 80 different ways including "Shappere" and "Shaxberd." Even Shakespeare himself used abbreviations or variations such as "Willm Shakp" and "Willm Shaksperre."

-  Guess the play from the translated title. Shakespeare's works have been translated in to more than 80 languages including Klingon. Can you work out the play from the translated name? 'Breuddwyd Noswyl Ifan' for example. How about 'die zwölfte nacht'?
-  In the King James Bible, Psalm 46, the word "shake" is 46 words from the beginning, and "speare" is 46 words from the end. Could this have been a birthday gift to Shakespeare who was 46 in the year of the translation? Create your own codes using books for others to solve.
-  Shakespeare or not Shakespeare...that is the question?! Can you guess whether the word called out was invented by Shakespeare or not?

What?

Across all his works it is estimated that Shakespeare 'invented' as many as 1700 words. In reality many were probably in use but just hadn't been written down but can you guess correctly which ones are which? How about 'barefaced'? Yep, Shakespeare!

-  Shakespeare has been said to spell his own name over 80 different ways! Have you got any nicknames? Think of all of the names other people call you.
-  Create or adapt your own game based on Shakespeare's plays.



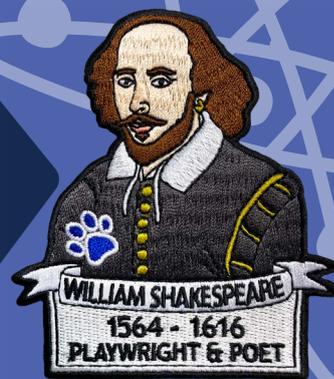
# Other

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-  Visit Shakespeare's birthplace in Stratford-upon-Avon.
-  Read some of Shakespeare's poetry and have a go at writing your own.
-  Shakespeare's company King's Men performed at the Royal Courts. Put on your own play/performance for an audience.
-  Watch a Shakespeare play or an adaptation/film influenced by his work such as the 2011 film, *Gnomeo & Juliet*.
-  Visit The Globe theatre in London.
-  Take a trip to see Shakespeare's tombstone in Holy Trinity Church, Stratford-upon-Avon.
-  Shakespeare's tombstone features a curse he wrote to stop anyone from moving his bones. Have a bit of fun and write your own rhyming curse.
-  How many adaptations of Shakespeare's plays can you find?
-  It is unknown exactly when Shakespeare was born but we know he was baptised on 26th April 1564. Create a Shakespeare family tree and see what else you can discover about his family and bloodline.
-  Celebrate Shakespeare Week, held in March each year. Check out [shakespeareweek.org.uk](http://shakespeareweek.org.uk) for more info and a host of free resources.
-  Historians believe that Shakespeare was born on 23rd April and he died on the same date in 1616. Celebrate his birthday with a Shakespeare themed party or poetry teatime. Why not bake 'Cakespeare' cakes for the occasion?
-  To his wife, Anne Hathaway, Shakespeare left his "second best bed." Debate your own will, who would you leave your possessions to and why?
-  There are 13 suicides in Shakespeare's plays. Suicide is the biggest killer of 5-19 year-olds according to a 2017 study. Do something to raise awareness or start a conversation around suicide.
-  Shakespeare is thought to have added around 1700 words to the English language. Discover some of them for yourself.
-  See a performance by the Royal Shakespeare Company.
-  Visit Anne Hathaway's cottage in Shottery, Warwickshire.

## Adventure Complete?

Reward your young adventurers with their William Shakespeare Challenge badge to mark their achievements! Head to the website to bag yours, download certificates and discover even more adventures!



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