**Answer the following questions in full sentences.**

1. How does Theseus respond to the lovers’ tales of their night in the woods? Did his reaction surprise you? Why or why not?
2. What is Hippolyta’s initial reaction when Theseus chooses the mechanicals’ play? Why does she react this way?
3. Did “Pyramus and Thisbe” make you laugh? Why or why not?
4. If Philostrate were to review the mechanicals’ play, what might he say?
5. Give two examples of excessive alliteration in the play-within-the-play. Cite the line numbers for each example.
6. Give two examples of breaking the play’s reality in the play-within-the-play. Cite the line numbers for each example.
7. What is the purpose of Puck’s last speech?
8. Theseus tells Bottom that his play needs no epilogue. Why do you think Shakespeare included an epilogue for his play in Puck’s last speech?