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Act 2, Prologue

Now old desire doth in his death-bed lie,
And young affection gapes to be his heir;
That fair for which love groan'd for and would die,
With tender Juliet match'd, is now not fair.

- 5 Now Romeo is beloved and loves again*,
Alike bewitched* by the charm of looks,
But to his foe supposed he must complain*,
And she steal love's sweet bait from fearful hooks:
Being held a foe, he may not have access
10 To breathe such vows as lovers use to swear;
And she as much in love, her means much less
To meet her new-beloved any where:
But passion lends them power, time means, to meet
Tempering extremities* with extreme sweet.

*in return
*captivated
*plead

*easing dangers

1. BELOW, write out the RHYME SCHEME for this sonnet. Words that are NEAR RHYME count, so be careful!!!
2. First, in your own words, what does the Prologue say has happened to Romeo's love for Rosaline? Next, *quote the line* that led you to your answer ('quote' means to write out the actual line!).
3. What does the Prologue say is different about Romeo's love for Juliet from his love for Rosaline?
4. In lines 9-10, what is the difficulty mentioned that Romeo faces?
5. In lines 11-12, what is the difficulty mentioned that Juliet faces?