**Romeo and Juliet Act I. ii Guiding Questions**

1. What does Paris ask Capulet? Is this the first time? What is Capulet’s response?
2. Why does Capulet give Juliet a choice in who she marries? Was this usual for the time? Why/why not?
3. When Romeo was asked if he could read, was he helpful at first? Why/why not?
4. Why do Romeo and Benvolio decide to go to the party (they each have their own reasons)?
5. What form of irony is used when the servant invites Romeo and Benvolio to the Capulet party? Why?
6. What do we learn about Romeo?
7. What does Benvolio speak in when he talks to Romeo? Compare this to when he talks to Montague in I.i. What’s different? What do you think Shakespeare is trying to show us?
8. What does Romeo speak in?
9. What does Capulet speak in?
10. What does the servingman speak in?
11. What is an example of personification used in this scene (identify the line)?