

'Othello' Themes - **Sample Exam Questions**

Choose **one** of the following questions:

Is the action in 'Othello' driven by love or hate? Give reasons for your answer.

[20 marks]

What are the different ways in which Shakespeare portrays women in 'Othello'?

[20 marks]

In what ways does Shakespeare explore the theme of identity in 'Othello'?

[20 marks]

How does Shakespeare make Othello's descent into jealousy believable for his audience?

[20 marks]

How is the theme of perception versus reality portrayed within 'Othello'?

[20 marks]

How is the theme of race integral to the plot of 'Othello'?

[20 marks]

How does Shakespeare show us Othello's descent into madness throughout the play?

[20 marks]