

King lear act 5 quotes

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Do you not love my sister?... Dear my lord, be not familiar with her

Regan – Edmund jealousy

The which immediacy may well stand up and call itself your brother

Regan – Edmund husband

Lady, I am not well... that I create here my Lord and master

Regan – illness and Edmund husband

I had rather lose the battle than that sister should loosen him and me

Goneril – Edmund jealousy

If not, I'll never trust medicine

Goneril – poisoning R

Your lady, sir, your lady: and her sister by her is poisoned; she confesses it

Goneril (Gentleman) – suicide

Which of them shall I take? Both? One? Neither?

Edmund – sister questions

Neither can be enjoyed if both remain alive

Edmund – not both G+R

(Lear) shall never see his pardon; for my state stands on me to defend, not debate

Edmund – Lear death

that men are as the time is; to be tender-minded does not become a sword

Edmund – savage in war

Back do I toss these treasons to thy head, with the hell-hated lie overwhelm
thy heart

Edmund – treason claim

The wheel is come full circle

Edmund – circle

This speech of yours hath moved me

Edmund – sympathy

Yet Edmund was beloved

Edmund – love

Some good I mean to do, despite of my own nature

Edmund – redeeming

We are not the first who with best meaning have incurred the worst

Cordelia – no justice

We two alone will sing like birds in the cage... So we'll live and pray and sing,
and laugh at gilded butterflies

Lear – time w Cordelia

Howl, howl, howl, howl!

Lear – anguish

I know when one is dead and when one lives; she's dead as earth

Lear – clarity

Cordelia, Cordelia, stay a little. Ha? What is it thou sayst?

Lear – wants C alive

If I ever return to you again, I'll bring you comfort

Edgar – Gloucester care

O know my name is lost, by treason's tooth-bare gnawn

Edgar – status fall

thou art a traitor: false to the gods, thy brother and thy father

Edgar – Edmund traitor

The dark and vicious place where thee he got cost him his eyes

Edgar – Gloucester adultery

Never – O fault! – revealed myself unto him... But his flawed heart, alack, too weak to support

Edgar – Gloucester death

I hold you but a subject of this war, not as a brother

Albany – Edmund par

If there be more, more woeful, hold it in, for I am almost ready to dissolve hearing this

Albany – compassion

Rule in this realm and the gored state sustain

Albany – selfless

I have a journey, sir, shortly to go; my master calls me, I must not say no

Kent - loyalty

The weight of this sad time we must obey, speak what we feel, not what we

ought to say

Edgar/Albany - no deception

The oldest hath borne most; we that are young shall never see so much, nor

live so long

Edgar/Albany - respect elders