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Includes the life of William Shakespeare, a brief summary of the play, a list of characters, summaries and commentaries, and more.

The original CliffsNotes study guides offer expert commentary on major themes, plots, characters, literary devices, and historical background. CliffsNotes on *The Bluest Eye* & *Sula* covers two of Toni Morrison's unforgettable novels. *The Bluest Eye*, Morrison's first novel, focuses on Pecola Breedlove, a lonely, young black girl living in Ohio in the late 1940s. Through Pecola, Morrison exposes the power and cruelty of white, middle-class American definitions of beauty. *Sula*, Morrison's second novel, focuses on a young black girl named Sula, who matures into a strong and determined woman in the face of adversity and the distrust, even hatred, of her by the black community in which she lives. Morrison delves into the strong female relationships and how these bonds nurture and threaten individual identity. This study guide will take you beneath the surface of Morrison's complex characters to uncover their universal themes. Helpful background information about the author brings these novels into context for even greater understanding. Other features that help you study include Complete character lists A character map that graphically illustrates the relationships among the characters Character analyses of major players Glossary of difficult terms Critical essays Review questions and essay topics Classic literature or modern modern-day treasure — you'll understand it all with expert information and insight from CliffsNotes study guides.

These notes present a clear discussion of the action and thought of the work under consideration and a concise interpretation of its artistic merits and its significance.

One of Shakespeare's romantic comedies, this play is set in the seaport town of Messina, in Sicily. The drama concerns "the battle of the sexes" and focuses on the barbed wits and intrigues that two sets of lovers and their friends and family create. Brimming with wit and antagonism, the play has amused and provoked audiences for centuries.

Notes include brief survey of Sixteenth-century sonnets, critical comments on Shakespeare's sonnets, with essays on *THE FAIR YOUNG MAN*, *THE DARK LADY*, and *THE RIVAL POET*, Critical analyses of individual sonnets, question for review, and select bibliography.

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