Mr. Valentine’s 12th Grade English –Midsummer Act I – Study Guide

*Answers to the following questions can be found in Act I of* A Midsummer Night’s Dream.

1. When will Theseus and Hippolyta be married?

2. Why is Egeus angry?

3. What can happen to Hermia if she refuses to marry Demetrius?

4. Why is Helena upset?

5. Why are the craftsmen, or mechanicals, gathered at Peter Quince’s house?

6. What is ironic about the way Theseus met Hippolyta?

7. Why is Egeus angry about Lysander courting his daughter?

8. How does Hermia respond to her options, as given by Theseus?

9. Why is Lysander suspicious of Demetrius’s devotion to Hermia?

10. How do Lysander and Hermia plan to get married?

11. Why does Helena say love is blind?

12. Why is the craftsmen’s choice of play for Theseus’ wedding ironic?

13. What part is assigned to Bottom, and what part would he rather play?

14. Why is Snug happy about playing the lion?

15. Why does Quince suggest rehearsing in the forest at night?