# HENRY IV Part 1 By WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE

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I want to express my deep thanks to editors Barbara Mowat and Paul Werstine for creating these indispensable editions of Shakespeare's works, which incorporate the best of textual scholarship with a richness of commentary that is both inspired and engaging. Readers who want to know more about Shakespeare and his plays can follow the paths these distinguished scholars have tread by visiting the Folger either in-person or online, where a range of physical and digital resources exist to supplement the material in these texts. I commend to you these words, and hope that they inspire.

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### Textual Introduction By Barbara Mowat and Paul Werstine

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right,"), or angle brackets (for example, from *Hamlet*: "O farewell, honest (soldier.) Who hath relieved/you?"). At any point in the text, you can hover your cursor over a bracket for more information.

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### **Synopsis**

Henry IV, Part 1, culminates in the battle of Shrewsbury between the king's army and rebels seeking his crown. The dispute begins when Hotspur, the son of Northumberland, breaks with the king over the fate of his brother-in-law, Mortimer, a Welsh prisoner. Hotspur, Northumberland, and Hotspur's uncle Worcester plan to take the throne, later allying with Mortimer and a Welsh leader, Glendower.

As that conflict develops, Prince Hal—Henry IV's son and heir—carouses in a tavern and plots to trick the roguish Sir John Falstaff and his henchmen, who are planning a highway robbery. Hal and a companion will rob them of their loot—then wait for Falstaff's lying boasts. The trick succeeds, but Prince Hal is summoned to war.

In the war, Hal saves his father's life and then kills Hotspur, actions that help to redeem his bad reputation. Falstaff, meanwhile, cheats his soldiers, whom he leads to slaughter, and takes credit for Hotspur's death.

### **Characters in the Play**

KING HENRY IV, formerly Henry Bolingbroke

PRINCE HAL, Prince of Wales and heir to the throne (also called Harry and Harry Monmouth)

Lord John of Lancaster, younger son of King Henry Earl of Westmoreland
Sir Walter Blunt

Hotspur (Sir Henry, or Harry, Percy)
Lady Percy (also called Kate)

Earl of Northumberland, Henry Percy, Hotspur's father Earl of Worcester, Thomas Percy, Hotspur's uncle

EDMUND MORTIMER, earl of March
LADY MORTIMER (also called "the Welsh lady")
OWEN GLENDOWER, a Welsh lord, father of Lady Mortimer

Douglas (Archibald, earl of Douglas)
Archbishop (Richard Scroop, archbishop of York)
Sir Michael, a priest or knight associated with the archbishop
Sir Richard Vernon, an English knight

SIR JOHN FALSTAFF
POINS (also called Edward, Yedward, and Ned)
BARDOLPH
PETO
GADSHILL, setter for the robbers

Hostess of the tavern (also called Mistress Quickly) VINTNER, or keeper of the tavern Francis, an apprentice tapster

Carriers, Ostlers, Chamberlain, Travelers, Sheriff, Servants, Lords, Attendants, Messengers, Soldiers

### 「ACT 1

## Scene 1 Enter the King, Lord John of Lancaster, and the Earl of Westmoreland, with others.

#### KING

FTLN 0001	So shaken as we are, so wan with care,	
FTLN 0002	Find we a time for frighted peace to pant	
FTLN 0003	And breathe short-winded accents of new broils	
FTLN 0004	To be commenced in strands afar remote.	
FTLN 0005	No more the thirsty entrance of this soil	5
FTLN 0006	Shall daub her lips with her own children's blood.	
FTLN 0007	No more shall trenching war channel her fields,	
FTLN 0008	Nor bruise her flow'rets with the armèd hoofs	
FTLN 0009	Of hostile paces. Those opposèd eyes,	
FTLN 0010	Which, like the meteors of a troubled heaven,	10
FTLN 0011	All of one nature, of one substance bred,	
FTLN 0012	Did lately meet in the intestine shock	
FTLN 0013	And furious close of civil butchery,	
FTLN 0014	Shall now, in mutual well-beseeming ranks,	
FTLN 0015	March all one way and be no more opposed	15
FTLN 0016	Against acquaintance, kindred, and allies.	
FTLN 0017	The edge of war, like an ill-sheathèd knife,	
FTLN 0018	No more shall cut his master. Therefore, friends,	
FTLN 0019	As far as to the sepulcher of Christ—	
FTLN 0020	Whose soldier now, under whose blessèd cross	20
FTLN 0021	We are impressed and engaged to fight—	

FTLN 0022	Forthwith a power of English shall we levy,	
FTLN 0023	Whose arms were molded in their mothers' womb	
FTLN 0024	To chase these pagans in those holy fields	
FTLN 0025	Over whose acres walked those blessèd feet	25
FTLN 0026	Which fourteen hundred years ago were nailed	
FTLN 0027	For our advantage on the bitter cross.	
FTLN 0028	But this our purpose now is twelve month old,	
FTLN 0029	And bootless 'tis to tell you we will go.	
FTLN 0030	Therefor we meet not now. Then let me hear	30
FTLN 0031	Of you, my gentle cousin Westmoreland,	
FTLN 0032	What yesternight our council did decree	
FTLN 0033	In forwarding this dear expedience.	
	WESTMORELAND	
FTLN 0034	My liege, this haste was hot in question,	
FTLN 0035	And many limits of the charge set down	35
FTLN 0036	But yesternight, when all athwart there came	
FTLN 0037	A post from Wales loaden with heavy news,	
FTLN 0038	Whose worst was that the noble Mortimer,	
FTLN 0039	Leading the men of Herefordshire to fight	
FTLN 0040	Against the irregular and wild Glendower,	40
FTLN 0041	Was by the rude hands of that Welshman taken,	
FTLN 0042	A thousand of his people butcherèd,	
FTLN 0043	Upon whose dead corpse there was such misuse,	
FTLN 0044	Such beastly shameless transformation	
FTLN 0045	By those Welshwomen done, as may not be	45
FTLN 0046	Without much shame retold or spoken of.	
	KING	
FTLN 0047	It seems then that the tidings of this broil	
FTLN 0048	Brake off our business for the Holy Land.	
	WESTMORELAND	
FTLN 0049	This matched with other did, my gracious lord.	
FTLN 0050	For more uneven and unwelcome news	50
FTLN 0051	Came from the north, and thus it did import:	
FTLN 0052	On Holy-rood Day the gallant Hotspur there,	
FTLN 0053	Young Harry Percy, and brave Archibald,	
FTLN 0054	That ever valiant and approved Scot,	

FTLN 0055	At Holmedon met, where they did spend	55
FTLN 0056	A sad and bloody hour—	
FTLN 0057	As by discharge of their artillery	
FTLN 0058	And shape of likelihood the news was told,	
FTLN 0059	For he that brought them, in the very heat	
FTLN 0060	And pride of their contention did take horse,	60
FTLN 0061	Uncertain of the issue any way.	
	KING	
FTLN 0062	Here is a dear, a true-industrious friend,	
FTLN 0063	Sir Walter Blunt, new lighted from his horse,	
FTLN 0064	Stained with the variation of each soil	
FTLN 0065	Betwixt that Holmedon and this seat of ours,	65
FTLN 0066	And he hath brought us smooth and welcome news.	
FTLN 0067	The Earl of Douglas is discomfited;	
FTLN 0068	Ten thousand bold Scots, two-and-twenty knights,	
FTLN 0069	Balked in their own blood, did Sir Walter see	
FTLN 0070	On Holmedon's plains. Of prisoners Hotspur took	70
FTLN 0071	Mordake, Earl of Fife and eldest son	
FTLN 0072	To beaten Douglas, and the Earl of Atholl,	
FTLN 0073	Of Murray, Angus, and Menteith.	
FTLN 0074	And is not this an honorable spoil?	
FTLN 0075	A gallant prize? Ha, cousin, is it not?	75
	WESTMORELAND	
FTLN 0076	In faith, it is a conquest for a prince to boast of.	
	KING	
FTLN 0077	Yea, there thou mak'st me sad, and mak'st me sin	
FTLN 0078	In envy that my Lord Northumberland	
FTLN 0079	Should be the father to so blest a son,	
FTLN 0080	A son who is the theme of Honor's tongue,	80
FTLN 0081	Amongst a grove the very straightest plant,	
FTLN 0082	Who is sweet Fortune's minion and her pride;	
FTLN 0083	Whilst I, by looking on the praise of him,	
FTLN 0084	See riot and dishonor stain the brow	
FTLN 0085	Of my young Harry. O, that it could be proved	85
FTLN 0086	That some night-tripping fairy had exchanged	
FTLN 0087	In cradle-clothes our children where they lay,	

FTLN 0088	And called mine "Percy," his "Plantagenet"!	
FTLN 0089	Then would I have his Harry, and he mine.	
FTLN 0090	But let him from my thoughts. What think you, coz,	90
FTLN 0091	Of this young Percy's pride? The prisoners	
FTLN 0092	Which he in this adventure hath surprised	
FTLN 0093	To his own use he keeps, and sends me word	
FTLN 0094	I shall have none but Mordake, Earl of Fife.	
	WESTMORELAND	
FTLN 0095	This is his uncle's teaching. This is Worcester,	95
FTLN 0096	Malevolent to you in all aspects,	
FTLN 0097	Which makes him prune himself, and bristle up	
FTLN 0098	The crest of youth against your dignity.	
	KING	
FTLN 0099	But I have sent for him to answer this.	
FTLN 0100	And for this cause awhile we must neglect	100
FTLN 0101	Our holy purpose to Jerusalem.	
FTLN 0102	Cousin, on Wednesday next our council we	
FTLN 0103	Will hold at Windsor. So inform the lords.	
FTLN 0104	But come yourself with speed to us again,	
FTLN 0105	For more is to be said and to be done	105
FTLN 0106	Than out of anger can be utterèd.	
FTLN 0107	WESTMORELAND I will, my liege.	
	They exit.	

They exit.

「Scene 2<sup>¬</sup> Enter Prince of Wales, and Sir John Falstaff.

FTLN 0108	FALSTAFF Now, Hal, what time of day is it, lad?	
FTLN 0109	PRINCE Thou art so fat-witted with drinking of old	
FTLN 0110	sack, and unbuttoning thee after supper, and	
FTLN 0111	sleeping upon benches after noon, that thou hast	
FTLN 0112	forgotten to demand that truly which thou wouldst	5
FTLN 0113	truly know. What a devil hast thou to do with	
FTLN 0114	the time of the day? Unless hours were cups of	
FTLN 0115	sack, and minutes capons, and clocks the tongues	

FTLN 0116	of bawds, and dials the signs of leaping-houses,	
FTLN 0117	and the blessed sun himself a fair hot wench in	10
FTLN 0118	flame-colored taffeta, I see no reason why thou	10
FTLN 0119	shouldst be so superfluous to demand the time	
FTLN 0120	of the day.	
FTLN 0121	FALSTAFF Indeed, you come near me now, Hal, for we	
FTLN 0122	that take purses go by the moon and the seven	15
FTLN 0123	stars, and not by Phoebus, he, that wand'ring	10
FTLN 0124	knight so fair. And I prithee, sweet wag, when thou	
FTLN 0125	art king, as God save thy Grace—Majesty, I should	
FTLN 0126	say, for grace thou wilt have none—	
FTLN 0127	PRINCE What, none?	20
FTLN 0128	FALSTAFF No, by my troth, not so much as will serve to	20
FTLN 0129	be prologue to an egg and butter.	
FTLN 0130	PRINCE Well, how then? Come, roundly, roundly.	
FTLN 0131	FALSTAFF Marry then, sweet wag, when thou art king,	
FTLN 0132	let not us that are squires of the night's body be	25
FTLN 0133	called thieves of the day's beauty. Let us be Diana's	
FTLN 0134	foresters, gentlemen of the shade, minions of the	
FTLN 0135	moon, and let men say we be men of good government,	
FTLN 0136	being governed, as the sea is, by our noble	
FTLN 0137	and chaste mistress the moon, under whose countenance	30
FTLN 0138	we steal.	
FTLN 0139	PRINCE Thou sayest well, and it holds well too, for the	
FTLN 0140	fortune of us that are the moon's men doth ebb and	
FTLN 0141	flow like the sea, being governed, as the sea is, by	
FTLN 0142	the moon. As for proof now: a purse of gold most	35
FTLN 0143	resolutely snatched on Monday night and most	
FTLN 0144	dissolutely spent on Tuesday morning, got with	
FTLN 0145	swearing "Lay by" and spent with crying "Bring	
FTLN 0146	in"; now in as low an ebb as the foot of the ladder,	
FTLN 0147	and by and by in as high a flow as the ridge of the	40
FTLN 0148	gallows.	
FTLN 0149	FALSTAFF By the Lord, thou sayst true, lad. And is not	
FTLN 0150	my hostess of the tavern a most sweet wench?	

FTLN 0151	PRINCE As the honey of Hybla, my old lad of the castle.	
FTLN 0152	And is not a buff jerkin a most sweet robe of	45
FTLN 0153	durance?	
FTLN 0154	FALSTAFF How now, how now, mad wag? What, in thy	
FTLN 0155	quips and thy quiddities? What a plague have I to	
FTLN 0156	do with a buff jerkin?	
FTLN 0157	PRINCE Why, what a pox have I to do with my hostess	50
FTLN 0158	of the tavern?	
FTLN 0159	FALSTAFF Well, thou hast called her to a reckoning	
FTLN 0160	many a time and oft.	
FTLN 0161	PRINCE Did I ever call for thee to pay thy part?	
FTLN 0162	FALSTAFF No, I'll give thee thy due. Thou hast paid all	55
FTLN 0163	there.	
FTLN 0164	PRINCE Yea, and elsewhere, so far as my coin would	
FTLN 0165	stretch, and where it would not, I have used my	
FTLN 0166	credit.	
FTLN 0167	FALSTAFF Yea, and so used it that were it not here	60
FTLN 0168	apparent that thou art heir apparent—But I prithee,	
FTLN 0169	sweet wag, shall there be gallows standing in	
FTLN 0170	England when thou art king? And resolution thus	
FTLN 0171	fubbed as it is with the rusty curb of old father Antic	
FTLN 0172	the law? Do not thou, when thou art king, hang a	65
FTLN 0173	thief.	
FTLN 0174	PRINCE No, thou shalt.	
FTLN 0175	FALSTAFF Shall I? O rare! By the Lord, I'll be a brave	
FTLN 0176	judge.	
FTLN 0177	PRINCE Thou judgest false already. I mean thou shalt	70
FTLN 0178	have the hanging of the thieves, and so become a	
FTLN 0179	rare hangman.	
FTLN 0180	FALSTAFF Well, Hal, well, and in some sort it jumps	
FTLN 0181	with my humor as well as waiting in the court, I	
FTLN 0182	can tell you.	75
FTLN 0183	PRINCE For obtaining of suits?	
FTLN 0184	FALSTAFF Yea, for obtaining of suits, whereof the hangman	
FTLN 0185	hath no lean wardrobe. 'Sblood, I am as	
FTLN 0186	melancholy as a gib cat or a lugged bear.	
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FTLN 0187	PRINCE Or an old lion, or a lover's lute.	80
FTLN 0188	FALSTAFF Yea, or the drone of a Lincolnshire bagpipe.	
FTLN 0189	PRINCE What sayest thou to a hare, or the melancholy	
FTLN 0190	of Moorditch?	
FTLN 0191	FALSTAFF Thou hast the most unsavory similes, and	
FTLN 0192	art indeed the most comparative, rascaliest, sweet	85
FTLN 0193	young prince. But, Hal, I prithee trouble me no	
FTLN 0194	more with vanity. I would to God thou and I knew	
FTLN 0195	where a commodity of good names were to be	
FTLN 0196	bought. An old lord of the council rated me the	
FTLN 0197	other day in the street about you, sir, but I marked	90
FTLN 0198	him not, and yet he talked very wisely, but I	
FTLN 0199	regarded him not, and yet he talked wisely, and in	
FTLN 0200	the street, too.	
FTLN 0201	PRINCE Thou didst well, for wisdom cries out in the	
FTLN 0202	streets and no man regards it.	95
FTLN 0203	FALSTAFF O, thou hast damnable iteration, and art	
FTLN 0204	indeed able to corrupt a saint. Thou hast done	
FTLN 0205	much harm upon me, Hal, God forgive thee for it.	
FTLN 0206	Before I knew thee, Hal, I knew nothing, and now	
FTLN 0207	am I, if a man should speak truly, little better than	100
FTLN 0208	one of the wicked. I must give over this life, and I	
FTLN 0209	will give it over. By the Lord, an I do not, I am a	
FTLN 0210	villain. I'll be damned for never a king's son in	
FTLN 0211	Christendom.	
FTLN 0212	PRINCE Where shall we take a purse tomorrow, Jack?	105
FTLN 0213	FALSTAFF Zounds, where thou wilt, lad. I'll make one.	
FTLN 0214	An I do not, call me villain and baffle me.	
FTLN 0215	PRINCE I see a good amendment of life in thee, from	
FTLN 0216	praying to purse-taking.	
FTLN 0217	FALSTAFF Why, Hal, 'tis my vocation, Hal. 'Tis no sin	110
FTLN 0218	for a man to labor in his vocation.	

#### Enter Poins.

FTLN 0219 Poins!—Now shall we know if Gadshill have set a match. O, if men were to be saved by merit, what

FTLN 0221	hole in hell were hot enough for him? This is the	
FTLN 0222	most omnipotent villain that ever cried "Stand!" to	115
FTLN 0223	a true man.	
FTLN 0224	PRINCE Good morrow, Ned.	
FTLN 0225	POINS Good morrow, sweet Hal.—What says Monsieur	
FTLN 0226	Remorse? What says Sir John Sack-and-Sugar?	
FTLN 0227	Jack, how agrees the devil and thee about	120
FTLN 0228	thy soul that thou soldest him on Good Friday last	
FTLN 0229	for a cup of Madeira and a cold capon's leg?	
FTLN 0230	PRINCE Sir John stands to his word. The devil shall	
FTLN 0231	have his bargain, for he was never yet a breaker of	
FTLN 0232	proverbs. He will give the devil his due.	125
FTLN 0233	POINS, <i>to Falstaff</i> Then art thou damned for keeping	
FTLN 0234	thy word with the devil.	
FTLN 0235	PRINCE Else he had been damned for cozening the	
FTLN 0236	devil.	
FTLN 0237	POINS But, my lads, my lads, tomorrow morning, by	130
FTLN 0238	four o'clock early at Gad's Hill, there are pilgrims	
FTLN 0239	going to Canterbury with rich offerings, and traders	
FTLN 0240	riding to London with fat purses. I have vizards for	
FTLN 0241	you all. You have horses for yourselves. Gadshill lies	
FTLN 0242	tonight in Rochester. I have bespoke supper tomorrow	135
FTLN 0243	night in Eastcheap. We may do it as secure as	
FTLN 0244	sleep. If you will go, I will stuff your purses full of	
FTLN 0245	crowns. If you will not, tarry at home and be	
FTLN 0246	hanged.	
FTLN 0247	FALSTAFF Hear you, Yedward, if I tarry at home and	140
FTLN 0248	go not, I'll hang you for going.	
FTLN 0249	POINS You will, chops?	
FTLN 0250	FALSTAFF Hal, wilt thou make one?	
FTLN 0251	PRINCE Who, I rob? I a thief? Not I, by my faith.	4.4-
FTLN 0252	FALSTAFF There's neither honesty, manhood, nor	145
FTLN 0253	good fellowship in thee, nor thou cam'st not of	
FTLN 0254	the blood royal, if thou darest not stand for ten	
FTLN 0255	shillings.	
FTLN 0256	PRINCE Well then, once in my days I'll be a madcap.	1.50
FTLN 0257	FALSTAFF Why, that's well said.	150

FTLN 0258	PRINCE Well, come what will, I'll tarry at home.	
FTLN 0259	FALSTAFF By the Lord, I'll be a traitor then when thou	
FTLN 0260	art king.	
FTLN 0261	PRINCE I care not.	
FTLN 0262	POINS Sir John, I prithee leave the Prince and me	155
FTLN 0263	alone. I will lay him down such reasons for this	
FTLN 0264	adventure that he shall go.	
FTLN 0265	FALSTAFF Well, God give thee the spirit of persuasion,	
FTLN 0266	and him the ears of profiting, that what thou	
FTLN 0267	speakest may move, and what he hears may be	160
FTLN 0268	believed, that the true prince may, for recreation	
FTLN 0269	sake, prove a false thief, for the poor abuses of the	
FTLN 0270	time want countenance. Farewell. You shall find me	
FTLN 0271	in Eastcheap.	
FTLN 0272	PRINCE Farewell, thou latter spring. Farewell, Allhallown	165
FTLN 0273	summer. Falstaff exits.	
FTLN 0274	POINS Now, my good sweet honey lord, ride with us	
FTLN 0275	tomorrow. I have a jest to execute that I cannot	
FTLN 0276	manage alone. Falstaff, 「Peto, Bardolph, and Gadshill	
FTLN 0277	shall rob those men that we have already	170
FTLN 0278	waylaid. Yourself and I will not be there. And when	
FTLN 0279	they have the booty, if you and I do not rob them,	
FTLN 0280	cut this head off from my shoulders.	
FTLN 0281	PRINCE How shall we part with them in setting forth?	
FTLN 0282	POINS Why, we will set forth before or after them, and	175
FTLN 0283	appoint them a place of meeting, wherein it is at our	
FTLN 0284	pleasure to fail; and then will they adventure upon	
FTLN 0285	the exploit themselves, which they shall have no	
FTLN 0286	sooner achieved but we'll set upon them.	100
FTLN 0287	PRINCE Yea, but 'tis like that they will know us by our	180
FTLN 0288	horses, by our habits, and by every other appointment	
FTLN 0289	to be ourselves.	
FTLN 0290	POINS Tut, our horses they shall not see; I'll tie them	
FTLN 0291	in the wood. Our vizards we will change after we	105
FTLN 0292	leave them. And, sirrah, I have cases of buckram	185
FTLN 0293	for the nonce, to immask our noted outward	
FTLN 0294	garments.	

TTT 11 0 0 0 0	DDDICE V look I doubt the contill had a bound for one	
FTLN 0295	PRINCE Yea, but I doubt they will be too hard for us.	
FTLN 0296	POINS Well, for two of them, I know them to be as	100
FTLN 0297	true-bred cowards as ever turned back; and for the	190
FTLN 0298	third, if he fight longer than he sees reason, I'll	
FTLN 0299	forswear arms. The virtue of this jest will be the	
FTLN 0300	incomprehensible lies that this same fat rogue will	
FTLN 0301	tell us when we meet at supper: how thirty at least	
FTLN 0302	he fought with, what wards, what blows, what	195
FTLN 0303	extremities he endured; and in the reproof of this	
FTLN 0304	lives the jest.	
FTLN 0305	PRINCE Well, I'll go with thee. Provide us all things	
FTLN 0306	necessary and meet me tomorrow night in Eastcheap.	
FTLN 0307	There I'll sup. Farewell.	200
FTLN 0308	POINS Farewell, my lord. Poins exits.	
	PRINCE	
FTLN 0309	I know you all, and will awhile uphold	
FTLN 0310	The unyoked humor of your idleness.	
FTLN 0311	Yet herein will I imitate the sun,	
FTLN 0312	Who doth permit the base contagious clouds	205
FTLN 0313	To smother up his beauty from the world,	
FTLN 0314	That, when he please again to be himself,	
FTLN 0315	Being wanted, he may be more wondered at	
FTLN 0316	By breaking through the foul and ugly mists	
FTLN 0317	Of vapors that did seem to strangle him.	210
FTLN 0318	If all the year were playing holidays,	
FTLN 0319	To sport would be as tedious as to work,	
FTLN 0320	But when they seldom come, they wished-for come,	
FTLN 0321	And nothing pleaseth but rare accidents.	
FTLN 0322	So when this loose behavior I throw off	215
FTLN 0323	And pay the debt I never promised,	
FTLN 0324	By how much better than my word I am,	
FTLN 0325	By so much shall I falsify men's hopes;	
FTLN 0326	And, like bright metal on a sullen ground,	
FTLN 0327	My reformation, glitt'ring o'er my fault,	220
FTLN 0328	Shall show more goodly and attract more eyes	
FTLN 0329	Than that which hath no foil to set it off.	

I'll so offend to make offense a skill,

FTLN 0331 Redeeming time when men think least I will.

He exits.

### Scene 3 Enter the King, Northumberland, Worcester, Hotspur, fand Sir Walter Blunt, with others.

	KING, <sup>「</sup> to Northumberland, Worcester, and Hotspur <sup>¬</sup>	
FTLN 0332	My blood hath been too cold and temperate,	
FTLN 0333	Unapt to stir at these indignities,	
FTLN 0334	And you have found me, for accordingly	
FTLN 0335	You tread upon my patience. But be sure	
FTLN 0336	I will from henceforth rather be myself,	5
FTLN 0337	Mighty and to be feared, than my condition,	
FTLN 0338	Which hath been smooth as oil, soft as young down,	
FTLN 0339	And therefore lost that title of respect	
FTLN 0340	Which the proud soul ne'er pays but to the proud.	
	WORCESTER	
FTLN 0341	Our house, my sovereign liege, little deserves	10
FTLN 0342	The scourge of greatness to be used on it,	
FTLN 0343	And that same greatness too which our own hands	
FTLN 0344	Have holp to make so portly.	
FTLN 0345	NORTHUMBERLAND My lord—	
	KING	
FTLN 0346	Worcester, get thee gone, for I do see	15
FTLN 0347	Danger and disobedience in thine eye.	
FTLN 0348	O sir, your presence is too bold and peremptory,	
FTLN 0349	And majesty might never yet endure	
FTLN 0350	The moody frontier of a servant brow.	
FTLN 0351	You have good leave to leave us. When we need	20
FTLN 0352	Your use and counsel, we shall send for you.	
	Worcester	exits.
FTLN 0353	You were about to speak.	
FTLN 0354	NORTHUMBERLAND Yea, my good lord.	

ETI N 0255	Those prisoners in your Highness' name demanded	
FTLN 0355 FTLN 0356	Those prisoners in your Highness' name demanded, Which Harry Percy here at Holmedon took,	25
		23
FTLN 0357	Were, as he says, not with such strength denied As is delivered to your Majesty.	
FTLN 0358		
FTLN 0359	Either envy, therefore, or misprision	
FTLN 0360	Is guilty of this fault, and not my son.	
TTT 11 00 64	HOTSPUR	20
FTLN 0361	My liege, I did deny no prisoners.	30
FTLN 0362	But I remember, when the fight was done,	
FTLN 0363	When I was dry with rage and extreme toil,	
FTLN 0364	Breathless and faint, leaning upon my sword,	
FTLN 0365	Came there a certain lord, neat and trimly dressed,	
FTLN 0366	Fresh as a bridegroom, and his chin new reaped	35
FTLN 0367	Showed like a stubble land at harvest home.	
FTLN 0368	He was perfumèd like a milliner,	
FTLN 0369	And 'twixt his finger and his thumb he held	
FTLN 0370	A pouncet box, which ever and anon	
FTLN 0371	He gave his nose and took 't away again,	40
FTLN 0372	Who therewith angry, when it next came there,	
FTLN 0373	Took it in snuff; and still he smiled and talked.	
FTLN 0374	And as the soldiers bore dead bodies by,	
FTLN 0375	He called them untaught knaves, unmannerly,	
FTLN 0376	To bring a slovenly unhandsome corse	45
FTLN 0377	Betwixt the wind and his nobility.	
FTLN 0378	With many holiday and lady terms	
FTLN 0379	He questioned me, amongst the rest demanded	
FTLN 0380	My prisoners in your Majesty's behalf.	
FTLN 0381	I then, all smarting with my wounds being cold,	50
FTLN 0382	To be so pestered with a popinjay,	
FTLN 0383	Out of my grief and my impatience	
FTLN 0384	Answered neglectingly I know not what—	
FTLN 0385	He should, or he should not; for he made me mad	
FTLN 0386	To see him shine so brisk and smell so sweet	55
FTLN 0387	And talk so like a waiting-gentlewoman	
FTLN 0388	Of guns, and drums, and wounds—God save the	
FTLN 0389	mark!—	

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FTLN 0390	And telling me the sovereignest thing on Earth	(0)
FTLN 0391	Was parmacety for an inward bruise,	60
FTLN 0392	And that it was great pity, so it was,	
FTLN 0393	This villainous saltpeter should be digged	
FTLN 0394	Out of the bowels of the harmless Earth,	
FTLN 0395	Which many a good tall fellow had destroyed	
FTLN 0396	So cowardly, and but for these vile guns	65
FTLN 0397	He would himself have been a soldier.	
FTLN 0398	This bald unjointed chat of his, my lord,	
FTLN 0399	I answered indirectly, as I said,	
FTLN 0400	And I beseech you, let not his report	
FTLN 0401	Come current for an accusation	70
FTLN 0402	Betwixt my love and your high Majesty.	
	BLUNT	
FTLN 0403	The circumstance considered, good my lord,	
FTLN 0404	Whate'er Lord Harry Percy then had said	
FTLN 0405	To such a person and in such a place,	
FTLN 0406	At such a time, with all the rest retold,	75
FTLN 0407	May reasonably die and never rise	
FTLN 0408	To do him wrong or any way impeach	
FTLN 0409	What then he said, so he unsay it now.	
	KING	
FTLN 0410	Why, yet he doth deny his prisoners,	
FTLN 0411	But with proviso and exception	80
FTLN 0412	That we at our own charge shall ransom straight	
FTLN 0413	His brother-in-law, the foolish Mortimer,	
FTLN 0414	Who, on my soul, hath willfully betrayed	
FTLN 0415	The lives of those that he did lead to fight	
FTLN 0416	Against that great magician, damned Glendower,	85
FTLN 0417	Whose daughter, as we hear, that Earl of March	
FTLN 0418	Hath lately married. Shall our coffers then	
FTLN 0419	Be emptied to redeem a traitor home?	
FTLN 0420	Shall we buy treason and indent with fears	
FTLN 0421	When they have lost and forfeited themselves?	90
FTLN 0422	No, on the barren mountains let him starve,	
FTLN 0423	For I shall never hold that man my friend	
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FTLN 0424	Whose tongue shall ask me for one penny cost	
FTLN 0424 FTLN 0425	To ransom home revolted Mortimer.	
FTLN 0425	HOTSPUR Revolted Mortimer!	95
FTLN 0420 FTLN 0427	He never did fall off, my sovereign liege,	93
FTLN 0427	But by the chance of war. To prove that true	
FTLN 0428 FTLN 0429	Needs no more but one tongue for all those wounds,	
FTLN 0429 FTLN 0430	Those mouthed wounds, which valiantly he took	
FTLN 0430	When on the gentle Severn's sedgy bank	100
FTLN 0431 FTLN 0432	In single opposition hand to hand	100
FTLN 0432 FTLN 0433	He did confound the best part of an hour	
FTLN 0434	In changing hardiment with great Glendower.	
FTLN 0434 FTLN 0435	Three times they breathed, and three times did they	
FTLN 0435 FTLN 0436	drink,	105
FTLN 0430 FTLN 0437	Upon agreement, of swift Severn's flood,	103
	Who then, affrighted with their bloody looks,	
FTLN 0438 FTLN 0439	Ran fearfully among the trembling reeds	
FTLN 0439 FTLN 0440	And hid his crisp head in the hollow bank,	
FTLN 0440 FTLN 0441	Blood-stained with these valiant combatants.	110
FTLN 0441 FTLN 0442	Never did bare and rotten policy	110
FTLN 0442 FTLN 0443	Color her working with such deadly wounds,	
FTLN 0443 FTLN 0444	Nor never could the noble Mortimer	
FTLN 0444 FTLN 0445	Receive so many, and all willingly.	
FTLN 0445 FTLN 0446	Then let not him be slandered with revolt.	115
FILN 0440	KING	113
FTLN 0447	Thou dost belie him, Percy; thou dost belie him.	
FTLN 0447	He never did encounter with Glendower.	
FTLN 0448 FTLN 0449	I tell thee, he durst as well have met the devil alone	
FTLN 0450	As Owen Glendower for an enemy.	
FTLN 0450	Art thou not ashamed? But, sirrah, henceforth	120
FTLN 0451	Let me not hear you speak of Mortimer.	120
FTLN 0452 FTLN 0453	Send me your prisoners with the speediest means,	
FTLN 0454	Or you shall hear in such a kind from me	
FTLN 0455	As will displease you.—My lord Northumberland,	
FTLN 0455 FTLN 0456	We license your departure with your son.—	125
FTLN 0450 FTLN 0457	Send us your prisoners, or you will hear of it.	143
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	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 0458	An if the devil come and roar for them,	
FTLN 0459	I will not send them. I will after straight	
FTLN 0460	And tell him so, for I will ease my heart,	
FTLN 0461	Albeit I make a hazard of my head.	130
	NORTHUMBERLAND	
FTLN 0462	What, drunk with choler? Stay and pause awhile.	
FTLN 0463	Here comes your uncle.	
	Enter Worcester.	
FTLN 0464	HOTSPUR Speak of Mortimer?	
FTLN 0465	Zounds, I will speak of him, and let my soul	
FTLN 0466	Want mercy if I do not join with him.	135
FTLN 0467	Yea, on his part I'll empty all these veins	
FTLN 0468	And shed my dear blood drop by drop in the dust,	
FTLN 0469	But I will lift the downtrod Mortimer	
FTLN 0470	As high in the air as this unthankful king,	
FTLN 0471	As this ingrate and cankered Bolingbroke.	140
	NORTHUMBERLAND	
FTLN 0472	Brother, the King hath made your nephew mad.	
	WORCESTER	
FTLN 0473	Who struck this heat up after I was gone?	
	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 0474	He will forsooth have all my prisoners,	
FTLN 0475	And when I urged the ransom once again	
FTLN 0476	Of my wife's brother, then his cheek looked pale,	145
FTLN 0477	And on my face he turned an eye of death,	
FTLN 0478	Trembling even at the name of Mortimer.	
	WORCESTER	
FTLN 0479	I cannot blame him. Was not he proclaimed	
FTLN 0480	By Richard, that dead is, the next of blood?	
	NORTHUMBERLAND	1.50
FTLN 0481	He was; I heard the proclamation.	150
FTLN 0482	And then it was when the unhappy king—	
FTLN 0483	Whose wrongs in us God pardon!—did set forth	
FTLN 0484	Upon his Irish expedition;	

FTLN 0485	From whence he, intercepted, did return	
FTLN 0486	To be deposed and shortly murderèd.	155
	WORCESTER	100
FTLN 0487	And for whose death we in the world's wide mouth	
FTLN 0488	Live scandalized and foully spoken of.	
	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 0489	But soft, I pray you. Did King Richard then	
FTLN 0490	Proclaim my brother Edmund Mortimer	
FTLN 0491	Heir to the crown?	160
FTLN 0492	NORTHUMBERLAND He did; myself did hear it.	
	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 0493	Nay then, I cannot blame his cousin king	
FTLN 0494	That wished him on the barren mountains starve.	
FTLN 0495	But shall it be that you that set the crown	
FTLN 0496	Upon the head of this forgetful man	165
FTLN 0497	And for his sake wear the detested blot	
FTLN 0498	Of murderous subornation—shall it be	
FTLN 0499	That you a world of curses undergo,	
FTLN 0500	Being the agents or base second means,	
FTLN 0501	The cords, the ladder, or the hangman rather?	170
FTLN 0502	O, pardon me that I descend so low	
FTLN 0503	To show the line and the predicament	
FTLN 0504	Wherein you range under this subtle king.	
FTLN 0505	Shall it for shame be spoken in these days,	
FTLN 0506	Or fill up chronicles in time to come,	175
FTLN 0507	That men of your nobility and power	
FTLN 0508	Did gage them both in an unjust behalf	
FTLN 0509	(As both of you, God pardon it, have done)	
FTLN 0510	To put down Richard, that sweet lovely rose,	
FTLN 0511	And plant this thorn, this canker, Bolingbroke?	180
FTLN 0512	And shall it in more shame be further spoken	
FTLN 0513	That you are fooled, discarded, and shook off	
FTLN 0514	By him for whom these shames you underwent?	
FTLN 0515	No, yet time serves wherein you may redeem	
FTLN 0516	Your banished honors and restore yourselves	185
FTLN 0517	Into the good thoughts of the world again,	

FTLN 0518	Revenge the jeering and disdained contempt	
FTLN 0519	Of this proud king, who studies day and night	
FTLN 0520	To answer all the debt he owes to you	
FTLN 0521	Even with the bloody payment of your deaths.	190
FTLN 0522	Therefore I say—	
FTLN 0523	WORCESTER Peace, cousin, say no more.	
FTLN 0524	And now I will unclasp a secret book,	
FTLN 0525	And to your quick-conceiving discontents	
FTLN 0526	I'll read you matter deep and dangerous,	195
FTLN 0527	As full of peril and adventurous spirit	
FTLN 0528	As to o'erwalk a current roaring loud	
FTLN 0529	On the unsteadfast footing of a spear.	
	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 0530	If he fall in, good night, or sink or swim!	
FTLN 0531	Send danger from the east unto the west,	200
FTLN 0532	So honor cross it from the north to south,	
FTLN 0533	And let them grapple. O, the blood more stirs	
FTLN 0534	To rouse a lion than to start a hare!	
	NORTHUMBERLAND, to Worcester	
FTLN 0535	Imagination of some great exploit	
FTLN 0536	Drives him beyond the bounds of patience.	205
	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 0537	By heaven, methinks it were an easy leap	
FTLN 0538	To pluck bright honor from the pale-faced moon,	
FTLN 0539	Or dive into the bottom of the deep,	
FTLN 0540	Where fathom line could never touch the ground,	
FTLN 0541	And pluck up drownèd honor by the locks,	210
FTLN 0542	So he that doth redeem her thence might wear	
FTLN 0543	Without corrival all her dignities.	
FTLN 0544	But out upon this half-faced fellowship!	
	WORCESTER	
FTLN 0545	He apprehends a world of figures here,	
FTLN 0546	But not the form of what he should attend.—	215
FTLN 0547	Good cousin, give me audience for a while.	
	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 0548	I cry you mercy.	

FTLN 0549	WORCESTER Those same noble Scots	
FTLN 0550	That are your prisoners—	
FTLN 0551	HOTSPUR I'll keep them all.	220
FTLN 0552	By God, he shall not have a Scot of them.	220
FTLN 0553	No, if a Scot would save his soul, he shall not.	
FTLN 0554	I'll keep them, by this hand!	
FTLN 0555	WORCESTER You start away	
FTLN 0556	And lend no ear unto my purposes:	225
FTLN 0557	Those prisoners you shall keep—	
FTLN 0558	HOTSPUR Nay, I will. That's flat!	
FTLN 0559	He said he would not ransom Mortimer,	
FTLN 0560	Forbade my tongue to speak of Mortimer.	
FTLN 0561	But I will find him when he lies asleep,	230
FTLN 0562	And in his ear I'll hollo "Mortimer."	
FTLN 0563	Nay, I'll have a starling shall be taught to speak	
FTLN 0564	Nothing but "Mortimer," and give it him	
FTLN 0565	To keep his anger still in motion.	
FTLN 0566	WORCESTER Hear you, cousin, a word.	235
	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 0567	All studies here I solemnly defy,	
FTLN 0568	Save how to gall and pinch this Bolingbroke.	
FTLN 0569	And that same sword-and-buckler Prince of Wales	<del></del>
FTLN 0570	But that I think his father loves him not	
FTLN 0571	And would be glad he met with some mischance—	- 240
FTLN 0572	I would have him poisoned with a pot of ale.	
	WORCESTER	
FTLN 0573	Farewell, kinsman. I'll talk to you	
FTLN 0574	When you are better tempered to attend.	
	NORTHUMBERLAND, \[ \textit{to Hotspur} \]	
FTLN 0575	Why, what a wasp-stung and impatient fool	
FTLN 0576	Art thou to break into this woman's mood,	245
FTLN 0577	Tying thine ear to no tongue but thine own!	
	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 0578	Why, look you, I am [whipped] and scourged with	1
FTLN 0579	rods,	
FTLN 0580	Nettled and stung with pismires, when I hear	

FTLN 0581	Of this vile politician, Bolingbroke.	250
FTLN 0581	In Richard's time—what do you call the place?	230
FTLN 0582	A plague upon it! It is in Gloucestershire.	
FTLN 0584	'Twas where the madcap duke his uncle kept,	
FTLN 0584	His uncle York, where I first bowed my knee	
FTLN 0586	Unto this king of smiles, this Bolingbroke.	255
FTLN 0580 FTLN 0587	'Sblood, when you and he came back from	233
FTLN 0588	Ravenspurgh.	
	NORTHUMBERLAND At Berkeley Castle.	
FTLN 0589 FTLN 0590	HOTSPUR You say true.	
	Why, what a candy deal of courtesy	260
FTLN 0591	This fawning greyhound then did proffer me:	200
FTLN 0592 FTLN 0593	"Look when his infant fortune came to age,"	
FTLN 0594	And "gentle Harry Percy," and "kind cousin."	
	O, the devil take such cozeners!—God forgive me!	
FTLN 0595 FTLN 0596	Good uncle, tell your tale. I have done.	265
F1LN 0390	WORCESTER	203
ETI N 0507	Nay, if you have not, to it again.	
FTLN 0597 FTLN 0598	We will stay your leisure.	
FTLN 0599	HOTSPUR I have done, i' faith.	
I'ILN 0399	WORCESTER	
FTLN 0600	Then once more to your Scottish prisoners:	
FTLN 0601	Deliver them up without their ransom straight,	270
FTLN 0602	And make the Douglas' son your only mean	270
FTLN 0603	For powers in Scotland, which, for divers reasons	
FTLN 0604	Which I shall send you written, be assured	
FTLN 0605	Will easily be granted.—You, my lord,	
FTLN 0606	Your son in Scotland being thus employed,	275
FTLN 0607	Shall secretly into the bosom creep	270
FTLN 0608	Of that same noble prelate well beloved,	
FTLN 0609	The Archbishop.	
FTLN 0610	HOTSPUR Of York, is it not?	
FTLN 0611	WORCESTER True, who bears hard	280
FTLN 0612	His brother's death at Bristol, the Lord Scroop.	200
FTLN 0613	I speak not this in estimation,	
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FTLN 0614	As what I think might be, but what I know	
FTLN 0615	Is ruminated, plotted, and set down,	
FTLN 0616	And only stays but to behold the face	285
FTLN 0617	Of that occasion that shall bring it on.	
	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 0618	I smell it. Upon my life it will do well.	
	NORTHUMBERLAND	
FTLN 0619	Before the game is afoot thou still let'st slip.	
	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 0620	Why, it cannot choose but be a noble plot.	
FTLN 0621	And then the power of Scotland and of York	290
FTLN 0622	To join with Mortimer, ha?	
FTLN 0623	WORCESTER And so they shall.	
	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 0624	In faith, it is exceedingly well aimed.	
	WORCESTER	
FTLN 0625	And 'tis no little reason bids us speed	
FTLN 0626	To save our heads by raising of a head,	295
FTLN 0627	For bear ourselves as even as we can,	
FTLN 0628	The King will always think him in our debt,	
FTLN 0629	And think we think ourselves unsatisfied,	
FTLN 0630	Till he hath found a time to pay us home.	
FTLN 0631	And see already how he doth begin	300
FTLN 0632	To make us strangers to his looks of love.	
	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 0633	He does, he does. We'll be revenged on him.	
	WORCESTER	
FTLN 0634	Cousin, farewell. No further go in this	
FTLN 0635	Than I by letters shall direct your course.	
FTLN 0636	When time is ripe, which will be suddenly,	305
FTLN 0637	I'll steal to Glendower and Lord Mortimer,	
FTLN 0638	Where you and Douglas and our powers at once,	
FTLN 0639	As I will fashion it, shall happily meet	
FTLN 0640	To bear our fortunes in our own strong arms,	
FTLN 0641	Which now we hold at much uncertainty.	310

NORTHUMBERLAND

FTLN 0642 Farewell, good brother. We shall thrive, I trust.

**HOTSPUR** 

Uncle, adieu. O, let the hours be short

Till fields and blows and groans applaud our sport.

They exit.

### 「Scene 17 Enter a Carrier with a lantern in his hand.

FTLN 0645	FIRST CARRIER Heigh-ho! An it be not four by the day,	
FTLN 0646	I'll be hanged. Charles's Wain is over the new	
FTLN 0647	chimney, and yet our horse not packed.—What,	
FTLN 0648	ostler!	
FTLN 0649	OSTLER, [within] Anon, anon.	5
FTLN 0650	FIRST CARRIER I prithee, Tom, beat Cut's saddle. Put a	
FTLN 0651	few flocks in the point. Poor jade is wrung in the	
FTLN 0652	withers out of all cess.	
	Enter another Carrier, \( \text{with a lantern.} \)	
FTLN 0653	SECOND CARRIER Peas and beans are as dank here as a	
FTLN 0654	dog, and that is the next way to give poor jades the	10
FTLN 0655	bots. This house is turned upside down since Robin	
FTLN 0656	ostler died.	
FTLN 0657	FIRST CARRIER Poor fellow never joyed since the price	
FTLN 0658	of oats rose. It was the death of him.	
FTLN 0659	SECOND CARRIER I think this be the most villainous	15
FTLN 0660	house in all London road for fleas. I am stung like a	
FTLN 0661	tench.	
FTLN 0662	FIRST CARRIER Like a tench? By the Mass, there is	
FTLN 0663	ne'er a king christen could be better bit than I have	
FTLN 0664	been since the first cock.	20
FTLN 0665	SECOND CARRIER Why, they will allow us ne'er a jordan,	
	51	

FTLN 0666	and then we leak in your chimney, and your	
FTLN 0667	chamber-lye breeds fleas like a loach.	
FTLN 0668	FIRST CARRIER What, ostler, come away and be	
FTLN 0669	hanged. Come away.	25
FTLN 0670	SECOND CARRIER I have a gammon of bacon and two	
FTLN 0671	races of ginger to be delivered as far as Charing	
FTLN 0672	Cross.	
FTLN 0673	FIRST CARRIER God's body, the turkeys in my pannier	
FTLN 0674	are quite starved.—What, ostler! A plague on thee!	30
FTLN 0675	Hast thou never an eye in thy head? Canst not hear?	
FTLN 0676	An 'twere not as good deed as drink to break the	
FTLN 0677	pate on thee, I am a very villain. Come, and be	
FTLN 0678	hanged. Hast no faith in thee?	
	Enter Gadshill.	
FTLN 0679	GADSHILL Good morrow, carriers. What's o'clock?	35
FTLN 0680	FIRST CARRIER I think it be two o'clock.	
FTLN 0681	GADSHILL I prithee, lend me thy lantern to see my	
FTLN 0682	gelding in the stable.	
FTLN 0683	FIRST CARRIER Nay, by God, soft. I know a trick worth	
FTLN 0684	two of that, i' faith.	40
FTLN 0685	GADSHILL, <i>to Second Carrier</i> I pray thee, lend me	
FTLN 0686	thine.	
FTLN 0687	SECOND CARRIER Ay, when, canst tell? "Lend me thy	
FTLN 0688	lantern," quoth he. Marry, I'll see thee hanged	
FTLN 0689	first.	45
FTLN 0690	GADSHILL Sirrah carrier, what time do you mean to	
FTLN 0691	come to London?	
FTLN 0692	SECOND CARRIER Time enough to go to bed with a	
FTLN 0693	candle, I warrant thee. Come, neighbor Mugs,	
FTLN 0694	we'll call up the gentlemen. They will along with	50
FTLN 0695	company, for they have great charge.	
	[Carriers] exit.	
FTLN 0696	GADSHILL What ho, chamberlain!	

Enter Chamberlain.

FTLN 0697	CHAMBERLAIN At hand, quoth pickpurse.	
FTLN 0698	GADSHILL That's even as fair as "at hand, quoth the	
FTLN 0699	Chamberlain," for thou variest no more from	55
FTLN 0700	picking of purses than giving direction doth from	33
FTLN 0701	laboring: thou layest the plot how.	
FTLN 0702	CHAMBERLAIN Good morrow, Master Gadshill. It holds	
FTLN 0703	current that I told you yesternight: there's a franklin	
FTLN 0704	in the Wild of Kent hath brought three hundred	60
FTLN 0705	marks with him in gold. I heard him tell it to one of	
FTLN 0706	his company last night at supper—a kind of auditor,	
FTLN 0707	one that hath abundance of charge too, God knows	
FTLN 0708	what. They are up already and call for eggs and	
FTLN 0709	butter. They will away presently.	65
FTLN 0710	GADSHILL Sirrah, if they meet not with Saint Nicholas'	
FTLN 0711	clerks, I'll give thee this neck.	
FTLN 0712	CHAMBERLAIN No, I'll none of it. I pray thee, keep that	
FTLN 0713	for the hangman, for I know thou worshipest Saint	
FTLN 0714	Nicholas as truly as a man of falsehood may.	70
FTLN 0715	GADSHILL What talkest thou to me of the hangman? If	
FTLN 0716	I hang, I'll make a fat pair of gallows, for if I hang,	
FTLN 0717	old Sir John hangs with me, and thou knowest he is	
FTLN 0718	no starveling. Tut, there are other Troyans that	
FTLN 0719	thou dream'st not of, the which for sport sake are	75
FTLN 0720	content to do the profession some grace, that	
FTLN 0721	would, if matters should be looked into, for their	
FTLN 0722	own credit sake make all whole. I am joined with no	
FTLN 0723	foot-land-rakers, no long-staff sixpenny strikers,	
FTLN 0724	none of these mad mustachio purple-hued malt-worms,	80
FTLN 0725	but with nobility and tranquillity, burgomasters	
FTLN 0726	and great oneyers, such as can hold in, such	
FTLN 0727	as will strike sooner than speak, and speak sooner	
FTLN 0728	than drink, and drink sooner than pray, and yet,	
FTLN 0729	zounds, I lie, for they pray continually to their saint	85
FTLN 0730	the commonwealth, or rather not pray to her but	
FTLN 0731	prey on her, for they ride up and down on her and	
FTLN 0732	make her their boots.	

CHAMBERLAIN What, the commonwealth their boots?	
Will she hold out water in foul way?	90
GADSHILL She will, she will. Justice hath liquored her.	
We steal as in a castle, cocksure. We have the	
receipt of fern seed; we walk invisible.	
CHAMBERLAIN Nay, by my faith, I think you are more	
beholding to the night than to fern seed for your	95
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GADSHILL Give me thy hand. Thou shalt have a share in	
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CHAMBERLAIN Nay, rather let me have it as you are a	
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GADSHILL Go to. <i>Homo</i> is a common name to all men.	
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FTLN 0761 FTLN 0762 FTLN 0763 FTLN 0764	doubt not but to die a fair death for all this, if I 'scape hanging for killing that rogue. I have forsworn his company hourly any time this two-and-twenty years, and yet I am bewitched with the	15
FTLN 0765	rogue's company. If the rascal have not given me	
FTLN 0766	medicines to make me love him, I'll be hanged. It	
FTLN 0767	could not be else: I have drunk medicines.—Poins!	20
FTLN 0768	Hal! A plague upon you both.—Bardolph! Peto!—	
FTLN 0769	I'll starve ere I'll rob a foot further. An 'twere not as	
FTLN 0770	good a deed as drink to turn true man and to leave	
FTLN 0771	these rogues, I am the veriest varlet that ever	
FTLN 0772	chewed with a tooth. Eight yards of uneven ground	25
FTLN 0773	is threescore and ten miles afoot with me, and the	
FTLN 0774	stony-hearted villains know it well enough. A plague	
FTLN 0775	upon it when thieves cannot be true one to another!	
FTLN 0776	(They whistle, \( \text{within.} \) Whew! A plague upon you	
FTLN 0777	all!	30
	Enter the Prince, Poins, Peto, and Bardolph.	
FTLN 0778	Give me my horse, you rogues. Give me my horse	
FTLN 0779	and be hanged!	
FTLN 0780	PRINCE Peace, you fat guts! Lie down, lay thine ear	
FTLN 0781	close to the ground, and list if thou canst hear the	
FTLN 0782	tread of travelers.	35
FTLN 0783	FALSTAFF Have you any levers to lift me up again being	
FTLN 0784	down? 'Sblood, I'll not bear my own flesh so	
FTLN 0785	far afoot again for all the coin in thy father's Exchequer.	
FTLN 0786	What a plague mean you to colt me	
FTLN 0787	thus?	40
FTLN 0788	PRINCE Thou liest. Thou art not colted; thou art	
FTLN 0789	uncolted.	
FTLN 0790	FALSTAFF I prithee, good Prince Hal, help me to my	
FTLN 0791	horse, good king's son.	
FTLN 0792	PRINCE Out, you rogue! Shall I be your ostler?	45
FTLN 0793	FALSTAFF Hang thyself in thine own heir-apparent	
FTLN 0794	garters! If I be ta'en, I'll peach for this. An I have	

FTLN 0795 FTLN 0796 FTLN 0797	not ballads made on you all and sung to filthy tunes, let a cup of sack be my poison—when a jest is so forward, and afoot too! I hate it.	50
	Enter Gadshill.	
FTLN 0798	GADSHILL Stand.	
FTLN 0799	FALSTAFF So I do, against my will.	
FTLN 0800	POINS O, 'tis our setter. I know his voice.	
FTLN 0801	BARDOLPH What news?	
FTLN 0802	GADSHILL Case you, case you. On with your vizards.	55
FTLN 0803	There's money of the King's coming down the hill.	
FTLN 0804	'Tis going to the King's Exchequer.	
FTLN 0805	FALSTAFF You lie, you rogue. 'Tis going to the King's	
FTLN 0806	Tavern.	
FTLN 0807	GADSHILL There's enough to make us all.	60
FTLN 0808	FALSTAFF To be hanged.	
FTLN 0809	PRINCE Sirs, you four shall front them in the narrow	
FTLN 0810	lane. Ned Poins and I will walk lower. If they 'scape	
FTLN 0811	from your encounter, then they light on us.	
FTLN 0812	PETO How many be there of them?	65
FTLN 0813	GADSHILL Some eight or ten.	
FTLN 0814	FALSTAFF Zounds, will they not rob us?	
FTLN 0815	PRINCE What, a coward, Sir John Paunch?	
FTLN 0816	FALSTAFF Indeed, I am not John of Gaunt, your grandfather,	
FTLN 0817	but yet no coward, Hal.	70
FTLN 0818	PRINCE Well, we leave that to the proof.	
FTLN 0819	POINS Sirrah Jack, thy horse stands behind the hedge.	
FTLN 0820	When thou need'st him, there thou shalt find him.	
FTLN 0821	Farewell and stand fast.	
FTLN 0822	FALSTAFF Now cannot I strike him, if I should be	75
FTLN 0823	hanged.	
FTLN 0824	PRINCE, <i>aside to Poins</i> Ned, where are our disguises?	
FTLN 0825	POINS, <i>aside to Prince</i> Here, hard by. Stand close. <i>The Prince and Poins exit.</i>	
FTLN 0826	FALSTAFF Now, my masters, happy man be his dole,	
FTLN 0827	say I. Every man to his business.	80
	They step aside.	

### Enter the Travelers.

FTLN 0828	FIRST TRAVELER Come, neighbor, the boy shall lead	
FTLN 0829	our horses down the hill. We'll walk afoot awhile	
FTLN 0830	and ease our legs.	
FTLN 0831	THIEVES, [advancing] Stand!	
FTLN 0832	TRAVELERS Jesus bless us!	85
FTLN 0833	FALSTAFF Strike! Down with them! Cut the villains'	
FTLN 0834	throats! Ah, whoreson caterpillars, bacon-fed	
FTLN 0835	knaves, they hate us youth. Down with them!	
FTLN 0836	Fleece them!	
FTLN 0837	TRAVELERS O, we are undone, both we and ours	90
FTLN 0838	forever!	
FTLN 0839	FALSTAFF Hang, you gorbellied knaves! Are you undone?	
FTLN 0840	No, you fat chuffs. I would your store were	
FTLN 0841	here. On, bacons, on! What, you knaves, young men	
FTLN 0842	must live. You are grandjurors, are you? We'll jure	95
FTLN 0843	you, faith.	
	Here they rob them and bind them. They [all] exit.	
	Enter the Prince and Poins, disguised.	
FTLN 0844	PRINCE The thieves have bound the true men. Now	
FTLN 0845	could thou and I rob the thieves and go merrily to	
FTLN 0846	London, it would be argument for a week, laughter	
FTLN 0847	for a month, and a good jest forever.	100
FTLN 0848	POINS Stand close, I hear them coming.	
	They step aside.	
	Enter the Thieves again.	
FTLN 0849	FALSTAFF Come, my masters, let us share, and then to	
FTLN 0850	horse before day. An the Prince and Poins be not	
FTLN 0851	two arrant cowards, there's no equity stirring.	
FTLN 0852	There's no more valor in that Poins than in a wild	105
FTLN 0853	duck.	100
	As they are sharing, the Prince	
	and Poins set upon them.	
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FTLN 0854	PRINCE Your money!	
FTLN 0855	POINS Villains!	
	They all run away, and Falstaff, after a blow or two,	
	runs away too, leaving the booty behind them.	
	PRINCE	
FTLN 0856	Got with much ease. Now merrily to horse.	
FTLN 0857	The thieves are all scattered, and possessed with	110
FTLN 0858	fear	
FTLN 0859	So strongly that they dare not meet each other.	
FTLN 0860	Each takes his fellow for an officer.	
FTLN 0861	Away, good Ned. Falstaff sweats to death,	
FTLN 0862	And lards the lean earth as he walks along.	115
FTLN 0863	Were 't not for laughing, I should pity him.	
FTLN 0864	POINS How the fat rogue roared!	
	They exit.	

Scene 37 *Enter Hotspur alone, reading a letter.* 

FTLN 0865	HOTSPUR But, for mine own part, my lord, I could be	
FTLN 0866	well contented to be there, in respect of the love I	
FTLN 0867	bear your house. He could be contented; why is he	
FTLN 0868	not, then? In respect of the love he bears our	
FTLN 0869	house—he shows in this he loves his own barn	5
FTLN 0870	better than he loves our house. Let me see some	
FTLN 0871	more. The purpose you undertake is dangerous.	
FTLN 0872	Why, that's certain. 'Tis dangerous to take a cold,	
FTLN 0873	to sleep, to drink; but I tell you, my Lord Fool, out	
FTLN 0874	of this nettle, danger, we pluck this flower, safety.	10
FTLN 0875	The purpose you undertake is dangerous, the friends	
FTLN 0876	you have named uncertain, the time itself unsorted,	
FTLN 0877	and your whole plot too light for the counterpoise	
FTLN 0878	of so great an opposition. Say you so, say you so?	
FTLN 0879	I say unto you again, you are a shallow, cowardly	15
FTLN 0880	hind, and you lie. What a lack-brain is this! By	

FTLN 0881 FTLN 0882 FTLN 0883	the Lord, our plot is a good plot as ever was laid, our friends true and constant—a good plot, good friends, and full of expectation; an excellent	
FTLN 0884	plot, very good friends. What a frosty-spirited	20
FTLN 0885	rogue is this! Why, my Lord of York commends	
FTLN 0886	the plot and the general course of the action.	
FTLN 0887	Zounds, an I were now by this rascal, I could brain	
FTLN 0888	him with his lady's fan. Is there not my father, my	
FTLN 0889	uncle, and myself, Lord Edmund Mortimer, my	25
FTLN 0890	Lord of York, and Owen Glendower? Is there not	
FTLN 0891	besides the Douglas? Have I not all their letters to	
FTLN 0892	meet me in arms by the ninth of the next month,	
FTLN 0893	and are they not some of them set forward already?	
FTLN 0894	What a pagan rascal is this—an infidel! Ha, you	30
FTLN 0895	shall see now, in very sincerity of fear and cold	
FTLN 0896	heart, will he to the King and lay open all our	
FTLN 0897	proceedings. O, I could divide myself and go to	
FTLN 0898	buffets for moving such a dish of skim milk with so	
FTLN 0899	honorable an action! Hang him, let him tell the	35
FTLN 0900	King. We are prepared. I will set forward tonight.	
	Enter his Lady.	
FTLN 0901	How now, Kate? I must leave you within these two	
FTLN 0902	hours.	
	LADY PERCY	
FTLN 0903	O my good lord, why are you thus alone?	
FTLN 0904	For what offense have I this fortnight been	40
FTLN 0905	A banished woman from my Harry's bed?	
FTLN 0906	Tell me, sweet lord, what is 't that takes from thee	
FTLN 0907	Thy stomach, pleasure, and thy golden sleep?	
FTLN 0908	Why dost thou bend thine eyes upon the earth	
FTLN 0909	And start so often when thou sit'st alone?	45
FTLN 0910	Why hast thou lost the fresh blood in thy cheeks	
FTLN 0911	And given my treasures and my rights of thee	
FTLN 0912	To thick-eyed musing and curst melancholy?	
FTLN 0913	In thy faint slumbers I by thee have watched,	

FTLN 0914	And heard thee murmur tales of iron wars,	50
FTLN 0915	Speak terms of manage to thy bounding steed,	
FTLN 0916	Cry "Courage! To the field!" And thou hast talked	
FTLN 0917	Of sallies and retires, of trenches, tents,	
FTLN 0918	Of palisadoes, frontiers, parapets,	
FTLN 0919	Of basilisks, of cannon, culverin,	55
FTLN 0920	Of prisoners' ransom, and of soldiers slain,	
FTLN 0921	And all the currents of a heady fight.	
FTLN 0922	Thy spirit within thee hath been so at war,	
FTLN 0923	And thus hath so bestirred thee in thy sleep,	
FTLN 0924	That beads of sweat have stood upon thy brow	60
FTLN 0925	Like bubbles in a late-disturbèd stream,	
FTLN 0926	And in thy face strange motions have appeared,	
FTLN 0927	Such as we see when men restrain their breath	
FTLN 0928	On some great sudden hest. O, what portents are	
FTLN 0929	these?	65
FTLN 0930	Some heavy business hath my lord in hand,	
FTLN 0931	And I must know it, else he loves me not.	
	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 0932	What, ho!	
	「Enter a Servant.	
FTLN 0933	Is Gilliams with the packet gone?	
FTLN 0934	SERVANT He is, my lord, an hour ago.	70
	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 0935	Hath Butler brought those horses from the sheriff?	
	SERVANT	
FTLN 0936	One horse, my lord, he brought even now.	
	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 0937	What horse? A roan, a crop-ear, is it not?	
	SERVANT	
FTLN 0938	It is, my lord.	
FTLN 0939	HOTSPUR That roan shall be my throne.	75
FTLN 0940	Well, I will back him straight. O, Esperance!	
FTLN 0941	Bid Butler lead him forth into the park.	
	Servant exits.	

FTLN 0943	FTLN 0942	LADY PERCY But hear you, my lord.	
FTLN 0945 HOTSPUR Why, my horse, my love, my horse.  FTLN 0945 HOTSPUR Why, my horse, my love, my horse.  FTLN 0946 LADY PERCY Out, you mad-headed ape!  FTLN 0947 A weasel hath not such a deal of spleen  FTLN 0948 As you are tossed with. In faith,  FTLN 0949 I'll know your business, Harry, that I will.  FTLN 0950 I fear my brother Mortimer doth stir  FTLN 0951 About his title, and hath sent for you  FTLN 0952 To line his enterprise; but if you go—  HOTSPUR  FTLN 0953 So far afoot, I shall be weary, love.  LADY PERCY  FTLN 0954 Come, come, you paraquito, answer me  FTLN 0955 Directly unto this question that I ask.  FTLN 0956 In faith, I'll break thy little finger, Harry,  An if thou wilt not tell me all things true.  FTLN 0959 Away, you trifler. Love, I love thee not.  FTLN 0959 Away, you trifler. Love, I love thee not.  FTLN 0960 I care not for thee, Kate. This is no world  FTLN 0961 To play with mammets and to tilt with lips.  FTLN 0962 We must have bloody noses and cracked crowns,  FTLN 0963 And pass them current too.—Gods me, my horse!—  FTLN 0964 What say'st thou, Kate? What wouldst thou have  FTLN 0965 We must have bloody noses and cracked crowns,  FTLN 0966 I with me?  LADY PERCY  FTLN 0967 Well, do not then, for since you love me not,  FTLN 0968 I will not love myself. Do you not love me?  FTLN 0969 Nay, tell me if you speak in jest or no.  HOTSPUR Come, wilt thou see me ride?  FTLN 0970 HOTSPUR Come, wilt thou see me ride?  FTLN 0971 I love thee infinitely. But hark you, Kate,  FTLN 0972 I love thee infinitely. But hark you, Kate,  FTLN 0973 I must not have you henceforth question me	FTLN 0943		
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FTLN 0976	This evening must I leave you, gentle Kate.	
FTLN 0977	I know you wise, but yet no farther wise	
FTLN 0978	Than Harry Percy's wife; constant you are,	
FTLN 0979	But yet a woman; and for secrecy	115
FTLN 0980	No lady closer, for I well believe	
FTLN 0981	Thou wilt not utter what thou dost not know,	
FTLN 0982	And so far will I trust thee, gentle Kate.	
FTLN 0983	LADY PERCY How? So far?	
	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 0984	Not an inch further. But hark you, Kate,	120
FTLN 0985	Whither I go, thither shall you go too.	
FTLN 0986	Today will I set forth, tomorrow you.	
FTLN 0987	Will this content you, Kate?	
FTLN 0988	LADY PERCY It must, of force.	
	They exit.	

## Scene 4 Enter Prince and Poins.

FTLN 0989	PRINCE Ned, prithee, come out of that fat room and	
FTLN 0990	lend me thy hand to laugh a little.	
FTLN 0991	POINS Where hast been, Hal?	
FTLN 0992	PRINCE With three or four loggerheads amongst three	
FTLN 0993	or fourscore hogsheads. I have sounded the very	5
FTLN 0994	bass string of humility. Sirrah, I am sworn brother	
FTLN 0995	to a leash of drawers, and can call them all by their	
FTLN 0996	Christian names, as Tom, Dick, and Francis. They	
FTLN 0997	take it already upon their salvation that though I be	
FTLN 0998	but Prince of Wales, yet I am the king of courtesy,	10
FTLN 0999	and tell me flatly I am no proud jack, like Falstaff,	
FTLN 1000	but a Corinthian, a lad of mettle, a good boy—by	
FTLN 1001	the Lord, so they call me—and when I am king of	
FTLN 1002	England, I shall command all the good lads in	
FTLN 1003	Eastcheap. They call drinking deep "dyeing scarlet,"	15

FTLN 1004	and when you breathe in your watering, they	
FTLN 1005	cry "Hem!" and bid you "Play it off!" To conclude, I	
FTLN 1006	am so good a proficient in one quarter of an hour	
FTLN 1007	that I can drink with any tinker in his own language	
FTLN 1008	during my life. I tell thee, Ned, thou hast lost much	20
FTLN 1009	honor that thou wert not with me in this action; but,	
FTLN 1010	sweet Ned—to sweeten which name of Ned, I give	
FTLN 1011	thee this pennyworth of sugar, clapped even now	
FTLN 1012	into my hand by an underskinker, one that never	
FTLN 1013	spake other English in his life than "Eight shillings	25
FTLN 1014	and sixpence," and "You are welcome," with this	
FTLN 1015	shrill addition, "Anon, anon, sir.—Score a pint of	
FTLN 1016	bastard in the Half-moon," or so. But, Ned, to	
FTLN 1017	drive away the time till Falstaff come, I prithee, do	
FTLN 1018	thou stand in some by-room while I question my	30
FTLN 1019	puny drawer to what end he gave me the sugar, and	
FTLN 1020	do thou never leave calling "Francis," that his tale	
FTLN 1021	to me may be nothing but "Anon." Step aside, and	
FTLN 1022	I'll show thee a precedent. Poins exits.	
FTLN 1023	POINS, within Francis!	35
FTLN 1024	PRINCE Thou art perfect.	
FTLN 1025	POINS, within Francis!	
	Enter [Francis, the] Drawer.	
FTLN 1026	FRANCIS Anon, anon, sir.—Look down into the Pomgarnet,	
FTLN 1027	Ralph.	
FTLN 1028	PRINCE Come hither, Francis.	40
FTLN 1029	FRANCIS My lord?	
FTLN 1030	PRINCE How long hast thou to serve, Francis?	
FTLN 1031	FRANCIS Forsooth, five years, and as much as to—	
FTLN 1032	POINS, within Francis!	
FTLN 1033	FRANCIS Anon, anon, sir.	45
FTLN 1034	PRINCE Five year! By 'r Lady, a long lease for the	
FTLN 1035	clinking of pewter! But, Francis, darest thou be	
FTLN 1036	so valiant as to play the coward with thy indenture,	
FTLN 1037	and show it a fair pair of heels, and run	
FTLN 1038	from it?	50

FTLN 1039	FRANCIS O Lord, sir, I'll be sworn upon all the books	
FTLN 1040	in England, I could find in my heart—	
FTLN 1041	POINS, within Francis!	
FTLN 1042	FRANCIS Anon, sir.	
FTLN 1043	PRINCE How old art thou, Francis?	55
FTLN 1044	FRANCIS Let me see. About Michaelmas next, I shall	
FTLN 1045	be—	
FTLN 1046	POINS, within Francis!	
FTLN 1047	FRANCIS Anon, sir.—Pray, stay a little, my lord.	
FTLN 1048	PRINCE Nay, but hark you, Francis, for the sugar thou	60
FTLN 1049	gavest me—'twas a pennyworth, was 't not?	
FTLN 1050	FRANCIS O Lord, I would it had been two!	
FTLN 1051	PRINCE I will give thee for it a thousand pound. Ask	
FTLN 1052	me when thou wilt, and thou shalt have it.	
FTLN 1053	POINS, within Francis!	65
FTLN 1054	FRANCIS Anon, anon.	
FTLN 1055	PRINCE Anon, Francis? No, Francis. But tomorrow,	
FTLN 1056	Francis; or, Francis, o' Thursday; or indeed, Francis,	
FTLN 1057	when thou wilt. But, Francis—	
FTLN 1058	FRANCIS My lord?	70
FTLN 1059	PRINCE Wilt thou rob this leathern-jerkin, crystal-button,	
FTLN 1060	not-pated, agate-ring, puke-stocking, caddis-garter,	
FTLN 1061	smooth-tongue, Spanish-pouch—	
FTLN 1062	FRANCIS O Lord, sir, who do you mean?	
FTLN 1063	PRINCE Why then, your brown bastard is your only	75
FTLN 1064	drink, for look you, Francis, your white canvas	
FTLN 1065	doublet will sully. In Barbary, sir, it cannot come to	
FTLN 1066	so much.	
FTLN 1067	FRANCIS What, sir?	
FTLN 1068	POINS, [within] Francis!	80
FTLN 1069	PRINCE Away, you rogue! Dost thou not hear them	
FTLN 1070	call?	
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Here they both call him. The Drawer stands amazed, not knowing which way to go.

Enter Vintner.

FTLN 1071 FTLN 1072 FTLN 1073 FTLN 1074	VINTNER What, stand'st thou still and hear'st such a calling? Look to the guests within. <i>Francis exits</i> . My lord, old Sir John with half a dozen more are at the door. Shall I let them in?	85
FTLN 1075 FTLN 1076	PRINCE Let them alone awhile, and then open the door. \( \subseteq \text{Vintner exits.} \) Poins!	
	Enter Poins.	
FTLN 1077	POINS Anon, anon, sir.	
FTLN 1078	PRINCE Sirrah, Falstaff and the rest of the thieves are	90
FTLN 1079	at the door. Shall we be merry?	
FTLN 1080	POINS As merry as crickets, my lad. But hark you,	
FTLN 1081	what cunning match have you made with this jest	
FTLN 1082	of the drawer. Come, what's the issue?	
FTLN 1083	PRINCE I am now of all humors that have showed	95
FTLN 1084	themselves humors since the old days of Goodman	
FTLN 1085	Adam to the pupil age of this present twelve	
FTLN 1086	o'clock at midnight.	
	「Enter Francis, in haste.	
FTLN 1087	What's o'clock, Francis?	
FTLN 1088	FRANCIS Anon, anon, sir.	100
FTLN 1089	PRINCE That ever this fellow should have fewer words	
FTLN 1090	than a parrot, and yet the son of a woman! His	
FTLN 1091	industry is upstairs and downstairs, his eloquence	
FTLN 1092	the parcel of a reckoning. I am not yet of Percy's	
FTLN 1093	mind, the Hotspur of the north, he that kills me	105
FTLN 1094	some six or seven dozen of Scots at a breakfast,	
FTLN 1095	washes his hands, and says to his wife "Fie upon	
FTLN 1096	this quiet life! I want work." "O my sweet Harry,"	
FTLN 1097	says she, "how many hast thou killed today?"	
FTLN 1098	"Give my roan horse a drench," says he, and answers	110
FTLN 1099	"Some fourteen," an hour after. "A trifle, a	
FTLN 1100	trifle." I prithee, call in Falstaff. I'll play Percy,	
FTLN 1101	and that damned brawn shall play Dame Mortimer	
FTLN 1102	his wife. "Rivo!" says the drunkard. Call in	
	Ribs, call in Tallow.	115

## Enter Falstaff, 「Gadshill, Peto, Bardolph; and Francis, with wine.

FTLN 1104	POINS Welcome, Jack. Where hast thou been?	
FTLN 1105	FALSTAFF A plague of all cowards, I say, and a vengeance	
FTLN 1106	too! Marry and amen!—Give me a cup of	
FTLN 1107	sack, boy.—Ere I lead this life long, I'll sew netherstocks	
FTLN 1108	and mend them, and foot them too. A plague	120
FTLN 1109	of all cowards!—Give me a cup of sack, rogue!—Is	
FTLN 1110	there no virtue extant? He drinketh.	
FTLN 1111	PRINCE Didst thou never see Titan kiss a dish of	
FTLN 1112	butter—pitiful-hearted Titan!—that melted at the	
FTLN 1113	sweet tale of the sun's? If thou didst, then behold	125
FTLN 1114	that compound.	
FTLN 1115	FALSTAFF, <i>to Francis</i> You rogue, here's lime in this	
FTLN 1116	sack too.—There is nothing but roguery to be	
FTLN 1117	found in villainous man, yet a coward is worse than	
FTLN 1118	a cup of sack with lime in it. A villainous coward! Go	130
FTLN 1119	thy ways, old Jack. Die when thou wilt. If manhood,	
FTLN 1120	good manhood, be not forgot upon the face of the	
FTLN 1121	Earth, then am I a shotten herring. There lives not	
FTLN 1122	three good men unhanged in England, and one of	
FTLN 1123	them is fat and grows old, God help the while. A bad	135
FTLN 1124	world, I say. I would I were a weaver. I could sing	
FTLN 1125	psalms, or anything. A plague of all cowards, I say	
FTLN 1126	still.	
FTLN 1127	PRINCE How now, woolsack, what mutter you?	
FTLN 1128	FALSTAFF A king's son! If I do not beat thee out of thy	140
FTLN 1129	kingdom with a dagger of lath, and drive all thy	
FTLN 1130	subjects afore thee like a flock of wild geese, I'll	
FTLN 1131	never wear hair on my face more. You, Prince of	
FTLN 1132	Wales!	
FTLN 1133	PRINCE Why, you whoreson round man, what's the	145
FTLN 1134	matter?	
FTLN 1135	FALSTAFF Are not you a coward? Answer me to that—	
FTLN 1136	and Poins there?	

FILN 1139 FALSTAFF I call thee coward? I'll see thee damned ere FILN 1140 J Could run as fast as thou canst. You are FILN 1141 pound I could run as fast as thou canst. You are FILN 1142 straight enough in the shoulders you care not who FILN 1143 sees your back. Call you that backing of your 155 FILN 1144 friends? A plague upon such backing! Give me them FILN 1145 that will face me.—Give me a cup of sack.—I am a FILN 1146 rogue if I drunk today. FILN 1147 PRINCE O villain, thy lips are scarce wiped since thou FILN 1148 drunk'st last. FILN 1149 FALSTAFF All is one for that. (He drinketh.) A plague of FILN 1150 all cowards, still say I. FILN 1151 PRINCE What's the matter? FILN 1152 FALSTAFF What's the matter? There be four of us here FILN 1153 have ta'en a thousand pound this day morning. FILN 1154 PRINCE Where is it, Jack, where is it? FILN 1155 FALSTAFF Where is it? Taken from us it is. A hundred FILN 1157 PRINCE What, a hundred, man? FILN 1158 FALSTAFF I am a rogue if I were not at half-sword FILN 1159 with a dozen of them two hours together. I have FILN 1160 'scaped by miracle. I am eight times thrust through FILN 1161 the doublet, four through, my sword hacked like FILN 1163 a handsaw. Ecce signum! I never dealt better since FILN 1164 I was a man. All would not do. A plague of FILN 1165 all cowards! Let them speak. Fointing to Gadshill, FILN 1166 Bardolph, and Peto. If they speak more or FILN 1167 less than truth, they are villains, and the sons of FILN 1168 FALSTAFF Speak, sirs, how was it? FILN 1169 FARDOLPH We four set upon some dozen. FILN 1170 FARDOLPH And bound them.	FTLN 1137 FTLN 1138	POINS Zounds, you fat paunch, an you call me coward, by the Lord, I'll stab thee.	150
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FTLN 1173	PETO No, no, they were not bound.	185
FTLN 1174	FALSTAFF You rogue, they were bound, every man of	
FTLN 1175	them, or I am a Jew else, an Ebrew Jew.	
FTLN 1176	TBARDOLPH As we were sharing, some six or seven	
FTLN 1177	fresh men set upon us.	
FTLN 1178	FALSTAFF And unbound the rest, and then come in the	190
FTLN 1179	other.	
FTLN 1180	PRINCE What, fought you with them all?	
FTLN 1181	FALSTAFF All? I know not what you call all, but if I	
FTLN 1182	fought not with fifty of them I am a bunch of	
FTLN 1183	radish. If there were not two- or three-and-fifty	195
FTLN 1184	upon poor old Jack, then am I no two-legged	
FTLN 1185	creature.	
FTLN 1186	PRINCE Pray God you have not murdered some of	
FTLN 1187	them.	
FTLN 1188	FALSTAFF Nay, that's past praying for. I have peppered	200
FTLN 1189	two of them. Two I am sure I have paid, two rogues	
FTLN 1190	in buckram suits. I tell thee what, Hal, if I tell thee a	
FTLN 1191	lie, spit in my face, call me horse. Thou knowest my	
FTLN 1192	old ward. Here I lay, and thus I bore my point. Four	
FTLN 1193	rogues in buckram let drive at me.	205
FTLN 1194	PRINCE What, four? Thou said'st but two even now.	
FTLN 1195	FALSTAFF Four, Hal, I told thee four.	
FTLN 1196	POINS Ay, ay, he said four.	
FTLN 1197	FALSTAFF These four came all afront, and mainly	
FTLN 1198	thrust at me. I made me no more ado, but took all	210
FTLN 1199	their seven points in my target, thus.	
FTLN 1200	PRINCE Seven? Why there were but four even now.	
FTLN 1201	FALSTAFF In buckram?	
FTLN 1202	POINS Ay, four in buckram suits.	
FTLN 1203	FALSTAFF Seven by these hilts, or I am a villain else.	215
FTLN 1204	PRINCE, <i>to Poins</i> Prithee, let him alone. We shall have	
FTLN 1205	more anon.	
FTLN 1206	FALSTAFF Dost thou hear me, Hal?	
FTLN 1207	PRINCE Ay, and mark thee too, Jack.	

FTLN 1208	FALSTAFF Do so, for it is worth the listening to. These	220
FTLN 1209	nine in buckram that I told thee of—	
FTLN 1210	PRINCE So, two more already.	
FTLN 1211	FALSTAFF Their points being broken—	
FTLN 1212	POINS Down fell their hose.	
FTLN 1213	FALSTAFF Began to give me ground, but I followed me	225
FTLN 1214	close, came in foot and hand, and, with a thought,	
FTLN 1215	seven of the eleven I paid.	
FTLN 1216	PRINCE O monstrous! Eleven buckram men grown out	
FTLN 1217	of two!	
FTLN 1218	FALSTAFF But as the devil would have it, three misbegotten	230
FTLN 1219	knaves in Kendal green came at my back,	
FTLN 1220	and let drive at me, for it was so dark, Hal, that thou	
FTLN 1221	couldst not see thy hand.	
FTLN 1222	PRINCE These lies are like their father that begets	
FTLN 1223	them, gross as a mountain, open, palpable. Why,	235
FTLN 1224	thou claybrained guts, thou knotty-pated fool, thou	
FTLN 1225	whoreson, obscene, greasy tallow-catch—	
FTLN 1226	FALSTAFF What, art thou mad? Art thou mad? Is not	
FTLN 1227	the truth the truth?	
FTLN 1228	PRINCE Why, how couldst thou know these men in	240
FTLN 1229	Kendal green when it was so dark thou couldst not	
FTLN 1230	see thy hand? Come, tell us your reason. What sayest	
FTLN 1231	thou to this?	
FTLN 1232	POINS Come, your reason, Jack, your reason.	
FTLN 1233	FALSTAFF What, upon compulsion? Zounds, an I were	245
FTLN 1234	at the strappado or all the racks in the world, I	
FTLN 1235	would not tell you on compulsion. Give you a	
FTLN 1236	reason on compulsion? If reasons were as plentiful	
FTLN 1237	as blackberries, I would give no man a reason upon	
FTLN 1238	compulsion, I.	250
FTLN 1239	PRINCE I'll be no longer guilty of this sin. This sanguine	
FTLN 1240	coward, this bed-presser, this horse-backbreaker,	
FTLN 1241	this huge hill of flesh—	
FTLN 1242	FALSTAFF 'Sblood, you starveling, you elfskin, you	
FTLN 1243	dried neat's tongue, you bull's pizzle, you stockfish!	255

FTLN 1244	O, for breath to utter what is like thee! You tailor's	
FTLN 1245	yard, you sheath, you bowcase, you vile standing	
FTLN 1246	tuck—	
FTLN 1247	PRINCE Well, breathe awhile, and then to it again, and	
FTLN 1248	when thou hast tired thyself in base comparisons,	260
FTLN 1249	hear me speak but this.	
FTLN 1250	POINS Mark, Jack.	
FTLN 1251	PRINCE We two saw you four set on four, and bound	
FTLN 1252	them and were masters of their wealth. Mark now	
FTLN 1253	how a plain tale shall put you down. Then did we	265
FTLN 1254	two set on you four and, with a word, outfaced you	
FTLN 1255	from your prize, and have it, yea, and can show it	
FTLN 1256	you here in the house. And, Falstaff, you carried	
FTLN 1257	your guts away as nimbly, with as quick dexterity,	
FTLN 1258	and roared for mercy, and still run and roared, as	270
FTLN 1259	ever I heard bull-calf. What a slave art thou to hack	
FTLN 1260	thy sword as thou hast done, and then say it was in	
FTLN 1261	fight! What trick, what device, what starting-hole	
FTLN 1262	canst thou now find out to hide thee from this open	
FTLN 1263	and apparent shame?	275
FTLN 1264	POINS Come, let's hear, Jack. What trick hast thou	
FTLN 1265	now?	
FTLN 1266	FALSTAFF By the Lord, I knew you as well as he that	
FTLN 1267	made you. Why, hear you, my masters, was it for	
FTLN 1268	me to kill the heir apparent? Should I turn upon the	280
FTLN 1269	true prince? Why, thou knowest I am as valiant as	
FTLN 1270	Hercules, but beware instinct. The lion will not	
FTLN 1271	touch the true prince. Instinct is a great matter.	
FTLN 1272	I was now a coward on instinct. I shall think	
FTLN 1273	the better of myself, and thee, during my life—	285
FTLN 1274	I for a valiant lion, and thou for a true prince.	
FTLN 1275	But, by the Lord, lads, I am glad you have the	
FTLN 1276	money.—Hostess, clap to the doors.—Watch tonight,	
FTLN 1277	pray tomorrow. Gallants, lads, boys, hearts	• • •
FTLN 1278	of gold, all the titles of good fellowship come to	290
FTLN 1279	you. What, shall we be merry? Shall we have a play	
FTLN 1280	extempore?	

FTLN 1281	PRINCE Content, and the argument shall be thy running	
FTLN 1282	away.	
FTLN 1283	FALSTAFF Ah, no more of that, Hal, an thou lovest me.	295
	Enter Hostess.	
FTLN 1284	HOSTESS O Jesu, my lord the Prince—	
FTLN 1285	PRINCE How now, my lady the hostess, what sayst thou	
FTLN 1286	to me?	
FTLN 1287	HOSTESS Marry, my lord, there is a nobleman of the	
FTLN 1288	court at door would speak with you. He says he	300
FTLN 1289	comes from your father.	
FTLN 1290	PRINCE Give him as much as will make him a royal	
FTLN 1291	man and send him back again to my mother.	
FTLN 1292	FALSTAFF What manner of man is he?	
FTLN 1293	HOSTESS An old man.	305
FTLN 1294	FALSTAFF What doth Gravity out of his bed at midnight?	
FTLN 1295	Shall I give him his answer?	
FTLN 1296	PRINCE Prithee do, Jack.	
FTLN 1297	FALSTAFF Faith, and I'll send him packing. He exits.	
FTLN 1298	PRINCE Now, sirs. <i>To Gadshill</i> . By 'r Lady, you fought	310
FTLN 1299	fair.—So did you, Peto.—So did you, Bardolph.—	
FTLN 1300	You are lions too. You ran away upon instinct. You	
FTLN 1301	will not touch the true prince. No, fie!	
FTLN 1302	BARDOLPH Faith, I ran when I saw others run.	
FTLN 1303	PRINCE Faith, tell me now in earnest, how came Falstaff's	315
FTLN 1304	sword so hacked?	
FTLN 1305	PETO Why, he hacked it with his dagger and said he	
FTLN 1306	would swear truth out of England but he would	
FTLN 1307	make you believe it was done in fight, and persuaded	
FTLN 1308	us to do the like.	320
FTLN 1309	BARDOLPH Yea, and to tickle our noses with speargrass	
FTLN 1310	to make them bleed, and then to beslubber our	
FTLN 1311	garments with it, and swear it was the blood of true	
FTLN 1312	men. I did that I did not this seven year before: I	
FTLN 1313	blushed to hear his monstrous devices.	325
FTLN 1314	PRINCE O villain, thou stolest a cup of sack eighteen	

FTLN 1315 FTLN 1316 FTLN 1317 FTLN 1318 FTLN 1319 FTLN 1320 FTLN 1321 FTLN 1322 FTLN 1322 FTLN 1323 FTLN 1324 FTLN 1325	years ago, and wert taken with the manner, and ever since thou hast blushed extempore. Thou hadst fire and sword on thy side, and yet thou ran'st away. What instinct hadst thou for it?  BARDOLPH My lord, do you see these meteors? Do you behold these exhalations?  PRINCE I do.  BARDOLPH What think you they portend?  PRINCE Hot livers and cold purses.  BARDOLPH Choler, my lord, if rightly taken.  PRINCE No. If rightly taken, halter.	330 335
	Enter Falstaff.	
FTLN 1326	Here comes lean Jack. Here comes bare-bone.—	
FTLN 1327	How now, my sweet creature of bombast? How long	
FTLN 1328	is 't ago, Jack, since thou sawest thine own knee?	340
FTLN 1329	FALSTAFF My own knee? When I was about thy years,	
FTLN 1330	Hal, I was not an eagle's talon in the waist. I could	
FTLN 1331	have crept into any alderman's thumb-ring. A	
FTLN 1332	plague of sighing and grief! It blows a man up like a	
FTLN 1333	bladder. There's villainous news abroad. Here was	345
FTLN 1334	Sir John Bracy from your father. You must to the	
FTLN 1335	court in the morning. That same mad fellow of the	
FTLN 1336	north, Percy, and he of Wales that gave Amamon the	
FTLN 1337	bastinado, and made Lucifer cuckold, and swore	
FTLN 1338	the devil his true liegeman upon the cross of a	350
FTLN 1339	Welsh hook—what a plague call you him?	
FTLN 1340	POINS Owen Glendower.	
FTLN 1341	FALSTAFF Owen, Owen, the same, and his son-in-law	
FTLN 1342	Mortimer, and old Northumberland, and that	
FTLN 1343	sprightly Scot of Scots, Douglas, that runs a-horseback	355
FTLN 1344	up a hill perpendicular—	
FTLN 1345	PRINCE He that rides at high speed, and with his pistol	
FTLN 1346	kills a sparrow flying.	
FTLN 1347	FALSTAFF You have hit it.	260
FTLN 1348	PRINCE So did he never the sparrow.	360

FTLN 1349	FALSTAFF Well, that rascal hath good mettle in him. He	
FTLN 1350	will not run.	
FTLN 1351	PRINCE Why, what a rascal art thou then to praise him	
FTLN 1352	so for running?	
FTLN 1353	FALSTAFF A-horseback, you cuckoo, but afoot he will	365
FTLN 1354	not budge a foot.	
FTLN 1355	PRINCE Yes, Jack, upon instinct.	
FTLN 1356	FALSTAFF I grant you, upon instinct. Well, he is there	
FTLN 1357	too, and one Mordake, and a thousand blue-caps	
FTLN 1358	more. Worcester is stolen away tonight. Thy father's	370
FTLN 1359	beard is turned white with the news. You may buy	
FTLN 1360	land now as cheap as stinking mackerel.	
FTLN 1361	PRINCE Why then, it is like if there come a hot June,	
FTLN 1362	and this civil buffeting hold, we shall buy maidenheads	
FTLN 1363	as they buy hobnails, by the hundreds.	375
FTLN 1364	FALSTAFF By the Mass, thou sayest true. It is like we	
FTLN 1365	shall have good trading that way. But tell me, Hal,	
FTLN 1366	art not thou horrible afeard? Thou being heir	
FTLN 1367	apparent, could the world pick thee out three such	
FTLN 1368	enemies again as that fiend Douglas, that spirit	380
FTLN 1369	Percy, and that devil Glendower? Art thou not	
FTLN 1370	horribly afraid? Doth not thy blood thrill at it?	
FTLN 1371	PRINCE Not a whit, i' faith. I lack some of thy instinct.	
FTLN 1372	FALSTAFF Well, thou wilt be horribly chid tomorrow	
FTLN 1373	when thou comest to thy father. If thou love me,	385
FTLN 1374	practice an answer.	
FTLN 1375	PRINCE Do thou stand for my father and examine me	
FTLN 1376	upon the particulars of my life.	
FTLN 1377	FALSTAFF Shall I? Content. He sits down. This chair	
FTLN 1378	shall be my state, this dagger my scepter, and this	390
FTLN 1379	cushion my crown.	
FTLN 1380	PRINCE Thy state is taken for a joined stool, thy golden	
FTLN 1381	scepter for a leaden dagger, and thy precious rich	
FTLN 1382	crown for a pitiful bald crown.	
FTLN 1383	FALSTAFF Well, an the fire of grace be not quite out of	395
FTLN 1384	thee, now shalt thou be moved.—Give me a cup of	

FTLN 1385	sack to make my eyes look red, that it may be	
FTLN 1386	thought I have wept, for I must speak in passion,	
FTLN 1387	and I will do it in King Cambyses' vein.	
FTLN 1388	PRINCE, bowing Well, here is my leg.	400
FTLN 1389	FALSTAFF And here is my speech. [As King.] Stand	
FTLN 1390	aside, nobility.	
FTLN 1391	HOSTESS O Jesu, this is excellent sport, i' faith!	
	FALSTAFF, as King	
FTLN 1392	Weep not, sweet queen, for trickling tears are vain.	
FTLN 1393	HOSTESS O the Father, how he holds his countenance!	405
	FALSTAFF, [as King]	
FTLN 1394	For God's sake, lords, convey my [tristful] queen,	
FTLN 1395	For tears do stop the floodgates of her eyes.	
FTLN 1396	HOSTESS O Jesu, he doth it as like one of these harlotry	
FTLN 1397	players as ever I see.	
FTLN 1398	FALSTAFF Peace, good pint-pot. Peace, good tickle-brain.—	410
FTLN 1399	[As King.] Harry, I do not only marvel	
FTLN 1400	where thou spendest thy time, but also how thou	
FTLN 1401	art accompanied. For though the camomile, the	
FTLN 1402	more it is trodden on, the faster it grows, so youth,	
FTLN 1403	the more it is wasted, the sooner it wears. That	415
FTLN 1404	thou art my son I have partly thy mother's word,	
FTLN 1405	partly my own opinion, but chiefly a villainous	
FTLN 1406	trick of thine eye and a foolish hanging of thy	
FTLN 1407	nether lip that doth warrant me. If then thou be	
FTLN 1408	son to me, here lies the point: why, being son to	420
FTLN 1409	me, art thou so pointed at? Shall the blessed sun of	
FTLN 1410	heaven prove a micher and eat blackberries? A	
FTLN 1411	question not to be asked. Shall the son of England	
FTLN 1412	prove a thief and take purses? A question to be	
FTLN 1413	asked. There is a thing, Harry, which thou hast	425
FTLN 1414	often heard of, and it is known to many in our land	
FTLN 1415	by the name of pitch. This pitch, as ancient writers	
FTLN 1416	do report, doth defile; so doth the company thou	
FTLN 1417	keepest. For, Harry, now I do not speak to thee in	
FTLN 1418	drink, but in tears; not in pleasure, but in passion;	430

FTLN 1419	not in words only, but in woes also. And yet there is	
FTLN 1420	a virtuous man whom I have often noted in thy	
FTLN 1421	company, but I know not his name.	
FTLN 1422	PRINCE What manner of man, an it like your Majesty?	
FTLN 1423	FALSTAFF, [as King] A goodly portly man, i' faith, and a	435
FTLN 1424	corpulent; of a cheerful look, a pleasing eye, and a	
FTLN 1425	most noble carriage, and, as I think, his age some	
FTLN 1426	fifty, or, by 'r Lady, inclining to threescore; and now	
FTLN 1427	I remember me, his name is Falstaff. If that man	
FTLN 1428	should be lewdly given, he deceiveth me, for, Harry,	440
FTLN 1429	I see virtue in his looks. If then the tree may be	
FTLN 1430	known by the fruit, as the fruit by the tree, then	
FTLN 1431	peremptorily I speak it: there is virtue in that	
FTLN 1432	Falstaff; him keep with, the rest banish. And tell me	
FTLN 1433	now, thou naughty varlet, tell me where hast thou	445
FTLN 1434	been this month?	
FTLN 1435	PRINCE Dost thou speak like a king? Do thou stand for	
FTLN 1436	me, and I'll play my father.	
FTLN 1437	FALSTAFF, <i>rising</i> Depose me? If thou dost it half so	
FTLN 1438	gravely, so majestically, both in word and matter,	450
FTLN 1439	hang me up by the heels for a rabbit-sucker or a	
FTLN 1440	poulter's hare.	
FTLN 1441	PRINCE, <i>sitting down</i> Well, here I am set.	
FTLN 1442	FALSTAFF And here I stand.—Judge, my masters.	
FTLN 1443	PRINCE, [as King] Now, Harry, whence come you?	455
FTLN 1444	FALSTAFF, [as Prince] My noble lord, from Eastcheap.	
FTLN 1445	PRINCE, as King The complaints I hear of thee are	
FTLN 1446	grievous.	
FTLN 1447	FALSTAFF, [as Prince] 'Sblood, my lord, they are false.	
FTLN 1448	—Nay, I'll tickle you for a young prince, i' faith.	460
FTLN 1449	PRINCE, [as King] Swearest thou? Ungracious boy,	
FTLN 1450	henceforth ne'er look on me. Thou art violently	
FTLN 1451	carried away from grace. There is a devil haunts	
FTLN 1452	thee in the likeness of an old fat man. A tun of man	
FTLN 1453	is thy companion. Why dost thou converse with that	465
FTLN 1454	trunk of humors, that bolting-hutch of beastliness,	

FTLN 1455	that swollen parcel of dropsies, that huge bombard	
FTLN 1456	of sack, that stuffed cloakbag of guts, that roasted	
FTLN 1457	Manningtree ox with the pudding in his belly, that	
FTLN 1458	reverend Vice, that gray iniquity, that father ruffian,	470
FTLN 1459	that vanity in years? Wherein is he good, but to taste	
FTLN 1460	sack and drink it? Wherein neat and cleanly but to	
FTLN 1461	carve a capon and eat it? Wherein cunning but in	
FTLN 1462	craft? Wherein crafty but in villainy? Wherein villainous	
FTLN 1463	but in all things? Wherein worthy but in	475
FTLN 1464	nothing?	
FTLN 1465	FALSTAFF, [as Prince] I would your Grace would take	
FTLN 1466	me with you. Whom means your Grace?	
FTLN 1467	PRINCE, [as King] That villainous abominable misleader	
FTLN 1468	of youth, Falstaff, that old white-bearded Satan.	480
FTLN 1469	FALSTAFF, [as Prince] My lord, the man I know.	
FTLN 1470	PRINCE, as King I know thou dost.	
FTLN 1471	FALSTAFF, [as Prince] But to say I know more harm in	
FTLN 1472	him than in myself were to say more than I know.	
FTLN 1473	That he is old, the more the pity; his white hairs do	485
FTLN 1474	witness it. But that he is, saving your reverence, a	
FTLN 1475	whoremaster, that I utterly deny. If sack and sugar	
FTLN 1476	be a fault, God help the wicked. If to be old and	
FTLN 1477	merry be a sin, then many an old host that I know is	
FTLN 1478	damned. If to be fat be to be hated, then Pharaoh's	490
FTLN 1479	[lean] kine are to be loved. No, my good lord,	
FTLN 1480	banish Peto, banish Bardolph, banish Poins, but for	
FTLN 1481	sweet Jack Falstaff, kind Jack Falstaff, true Jack	
FTLN 1482	Falstaff, valiant Jack Falstaff, and therefore more	
FTLN 1483	valiant being as he is old Jack Falstaff, banish not	495
FTLN 1484	him thy Harry's company, banish not him thy	
FTLN 1485	Harry's company. Banish plump Jack, and banish	
FTLN 1486	all the world.	
FTLN 1487	PRINCE I do, I will.	

<sup>T</sup>A loud knocking, and Bardolph, Hostess, and Francis exit.

### Enter Bardolph running.

FTLN 1488 FTLN 1489 FTLN 1490 FTLN 1491	BARDOLPH O my lord, my lord, the Sheriff with a most monstrous watch is at the door.  FALSTAFF Out, you rogue.—Play out the play. I have much to say in the behalf of that Falstaff.	500
	Enter the Hostess.	
FTLN 1492	HOSTESS O Jesu, my lord, my lord—	
FTLN 1493	PRINCE Heigh, heigh, the devil rides upon a fiddlestick.	505
FTLN 1494	What's the matter?	
FTLN 1495	HOSTESS The Sheriff and all the watch are at the door.	
FTLN 1496	They are come to search the house. Shall I let them	
FTLN 1497	in?	
FTLN 1498	FALSTAFF Dost thou hear, Hal? Never call a true piece	510
FTLN 1499	of gold a counterfeit. Thou art essentially made	
FTLN 1500	without seeming so.	
FTLN 1501	PRINCE And thou a natural coward without instinct.	
FTLN 1502	FALSTAFF I deny your major. If you will deny the	
FTLN 1503	Sheriff, so; if not, let him enter. If I become not a	515
FTLN 1504	cart as well as another man, a plague on my	
FTLN 1505	bringing up. I hope I shall as soon be strangled with	
FTLN 1506	a halter as another.	
FTLN 1507	PRINCE, <i>standing</i> Go hide thee behind the arras. The	
FTLN 1508	rest walk up above.—Now, my masters, for a true	520
FTLN 1509	face and good conscience.	
FTLN 1510	FALSTAFF Both which I have had, but their date is out;	
FTLN 1511	and therefore I'll hide me.	
FTLN 1512	PRINCE Call in the Sheriff.	
	[All but the Prince and Peto exit.]	
	Enter Sheriff and the Carrier.	
	PRINCE	
FTLN 1513	Now, Master Sheriff, what is your will with me? SHERIFF	525
FTLN 1514	First pardon me, my lord. A hue and cry	
FTLN 1515	Hath followed certain men unto this house.	

FTLN 1516	PRINCE What men?	
	SHERIFF	
FTLN 1517	One of them is well known, my gracious lord.	
FTLN 1518	A gross fat man.	530
FTLN 1519	CARRIER As fat as butter. PRINCE	
FTLN 1520	The man I do assure you is not here,	
FTLN 1521	For I myself at this time have employed him.	
FTLN 1522	And, sheriff, I will engage my word to thee	
FTLN 1523	That I will by tomorrow dinner time	535
FTLN 1524	Send him to answer thee or any man	
FTLN 1525	For anything he shall be charged withal.	
FTLN 1526	And so let me entreat you leave the house.	
	SHERIFF	
FTLN 1527	I will, my lord. There are two gentlemen	
FTLN 1528	Have in this robbery lost three hundred marks.	540
	PRINCE	
FTLN 1529	It may be so. If he have robbed these men,	
FTLN 1530	He shall be answerable; and so farewell.	
FTLN 1531	SHERIFF Good night, my noble lord.	
	PRINCE	
FTLN 1532	I think it is good morrow, is it not?	
	SHERIFF	
FTLN 1533	Indeed, my lord, I think it be two o'clock.	545
	He exits \( \text{with the Carrier.} \)	
FTLN 1534	PRINCE This oily rascal is known as well as Paul's. Go	
FTLN 1535	call him forth.	
FTLN 1536	PETO Falstaff!—Fast asleep behind the arras, and	
FTLN 1537	snorting like a horse.	
FTLN 1538	PRINCE Hark, how hard he fetches breath. Search his	550
FTLN 1539	pockets. (He searcheth his pocket, and findeth certain	
FTLN 1540	papers.) What hast thou found?	
FTLN 1541	PETO Nothing but papers, my lord.	
FTLN 1542	PRINCE Let's see what they be. Read them.	
	PETO reads	
FTLN 1543	Item, a capon, 2s. 2d.	555

FTLN 1544	Item, sauce, 4d.	
FTLN 1545	Item, sack, two gallons, 5s. 8d.	
FTLN 1546	Item, anchovies and sack after supper, 2s. 6d.	
FTLN 1547	Item, bread,ob.	
FTLN 1548	「PRINCE」 O monstrous! But one halfpennyworth of	560
FTLN 1549	bread to this intolerable deal of sack? What there is	
FTLN 1550	else, keep close. We'll read it at more advantage.	
FTLN 1551	There let him sleep till day. I'll to the court in the	
FTLN 1552	morning. We must all to the wars, and thy place	
FTLN 1553	shall be honorable. I'll procure this fat rogue a	565
FTLN 1554	charge of foot, and I know his death will be a march	
FTLN 1555	of twelve score. The money shall be paid back again	
FTLN 1556	with advantage. Be with me betimes in the morning,	
FTLN 1557	and so good morrow, Peto.	
FTLN 1558	PETO Good morrow, good my lord.	570
	They exit.	

# Scene 1 Enter Hotspur, Worcester, Lord Mortimer, and Owen Glendower.

### **MORTIMER** These promises are fair, the parties sure, FTLN 1559 And our induction full of prosperous hope. FTLN 1560 **HOTSPUR** Lord Mortimer and cousin Glendower, FTLN 1561 Will you sit down? And uncle Worcester— FTLN 1562 A plague upon it, I have forgot the map. 5 FTLN 1563 **GLENDOWER** No, here it is. Sit, cousin Percy, FTLN 1564 Sit, good cousin Hotspur, for by that name FTLN 1565 As oft as Lancaster doth speak of you FTLN 1566 His cheek looks pale, and with a rising sigh FTLN 1567 He wisheth you in heaven. 10 FTLN 1568 FTLN 1569 **HOTSPUR** And you in hell, As oft as he hears Owen Glendower spoke of. FTLN 1570 **GLENDOWER** I cannot blame him. At my nativity FTLN 1571 The front of heaven was full of fiery shapes, FTLN 1572 Of burning cressets, and at my birth 15 FTLN 1573 The frame and huge foundation of the Earth FTLN 1574 Shaked like a coward. FTLN 1575 **HOTSPUR** Why, so it would have done FTLN 1576

FTLN 1577	At the same season if your mother's cat	
FTLN 1578	Had but kittened, though yourself had never been	20
FTLN 1579	born.	
	GLENDOWER	
FTLN 1580	I say the Earth did shake when I was born.	
	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 1581	And I say the Earth was not of my mind,	
FTLN 1582	If you suppose as fearing you it shook.	
	GLENDOWER	
FTLN 1583	The heavens were all on fire; the Earth did tremble.	25
	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 1584	O, then the Earth shook to see the heavens on fire,	
FTLN 1585	And not in fear of your nativity.	
FTLN 1586	Diseasèd nature oftentimes breaks forth	
FTLN 1587	In strange eruptions; oft the teeming Earth	
FTLN 1588	Is with a kind of colic pinched and vexed	30
FTLN 1589	By the imprisoning of unruly wind	
FTLN 1590	Within her womb, which, for enlargement striving,	
FTLN 1591	Shakes the old beldam Earth and topples down	
FTLN 1592	Steeples and moss-grown towers. At your birth	
FTLN 1593	Our grandam Earth, having this distemp'rature,	35
FTLN 1594	In passion shook.	
FTLN 1595	GLENDOWER Cousin, of many men	
FTLN 1596	I do not bear these crossings. Give me leave	
FTLN 1597	To tell you once again that at my birth	
FTLN 1598	The front of heaven was full of fiery shapes,	40
FTLN 1599	The goats ran from the mountains, and the herds	
FTLN 1600	Were strangely clamorous to the frighted fields.	
FTLN 1601	These signs have marked me extraordinary,	
FTLN 1602	And all the courses of my life do show	
FTLN 1603	I am not in the roll of common men.	45
FTLN 1604	Where is he living, clipped in with the sea	
FTLN 1605	That chides the banks of England, Scotland, Wales,	
FTLN 1606	Which calls me pupil or hath read to me?	
FTLN 1607	And bring him out that is but woman's son	
FTLN 1608	Can trace me in the tedious ways of art	50
FTLN 1609	And hold me pace in deep experiments.	

	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 1610	I think there's no man speaks better Welsh.	
FTLN 1611	I'll to dinner.	
	MORTIMER	
FTLN 1612	Peace, cousin Percy. You will make him mad.	
	GLENDOWER	
FTLN 1613	I can call spirits from the vasty deep.	55
	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 1614	Why, so can I, or so can any man,	
FTLN 1615	But will they come when you do call for them?	
	GLENDOWER	
FTLN 1616	Why, I can teach you, cousin, to command the	
FTLN 1617	devil.	
	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 1618	And I can teach thee, coz, to shame the devil	60
FTLN 1619	By telling truth. Tell truth and shame the devil.	
FTLN 1620	If thou have power to raise him, bring him hither,	
FTLN 1621	And I'll be sworn I have power to shame him	
FTLN 1622	hence.	
FTLN 1623	O, while you live, tell truth and shame the devil!	65
	MORTIMER	
FTLN 1624	Come, come, no more of this unprofitable chat.	
	GLENDOWER	
FTLN 1625	Three times hath Henry Bolingbroke made head	
FTLN 1626	Against my power; thrice from the banks of Wye	
FTLN 1627	And sandy-bottomed Severn have I sent him	
FTLN 1628	Bootless home and weather-beaten back.	70
	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 1629	Home without boots, and in foul weather too!	
FTLN 1630	How 'scapes he agues, in the devil's name?	
	GLENDOWER	
FTLN 1631	Come, here is the map. Shall we divide our right	
FTLN 1632	According to our threefold order ta'en?	
	MORTIMER	
FTLN 1633	The Archdeacon hath divided it	75
FTLN 1634	Into three limits very equally:	

England, from Trent and Severn hitherto,	FTLN 1635
By south and east is to my part assigned;	FTLN 1636
All westward, Wales beyond the Severn shore,	FTLN 1637
And all the fertile land within that bound 80	FTLN 1638
To Owen Glendower; and, dear coz, to you	FTLN 1639
The remnant northward lying off from Trent.	FTLN 1640
And our indentures tripartite are drawn,	FTLN 1641
Which being sealed interchangeably—	FTLN 1642
A business that this night may execute— 85	FTLN 1643
Tomorrow, cousin Percy, you and I	FTLN 1644
And my good Lord of Worcester will set forth	FTLN 1645
To meet your father and the Scottish power,	FTLN 1646
As is appointed us, at Shrewsbury.	FTLN 1647
My father Glendower is not ready yet, 90	FTLN 1648
Nor shall we need his help these fourteen days.	FTLN 1649
To Glendower. Within that space you may have	FTLN 1650
drawn together	FTLN 1651
Your tenants, friends, and neighboring gentlemen.	FTLN 1652
GLENDOWER	
A shorter time shall send me to you, lords, 95	FTLN 1653
And in my conduct shall your ladies come,	FTLN 1654
From whom you now must steal and take no leave,	FTLN 1655
For there will be a world of water shed	FTLN 1656
Upon the parting of your wives and you.	FTLN 1657
HOTSPUR, [looking at the map]	
Methinks my moiety, north from Burton here, 100	FTLN 1658
In quantity equals not one of yours.	FTLN 1659
See how this river comes me cranking in	FTLN 1660
And cuts me from the best of all my land	FTLN 1661
A huge half-moon, a monstrous cantle out.	FTLN 1662
I'll have the current in this place dammed up, 105	FTLN 1663
And here the smug and silver Trent shall run	FTLN 1664
In a new channel, fair and evenly.	FTLN 1665
It shall not wind with such a deep indent	FTLN 1666
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	GLENDOWER	
FTLN 1668	Not wind? It shall, it must. You see it doth.	110
	MORTIMER, To Hotspur	110
FTLN 1669	Yea, but mark how he bears his course, and runs	
FTLN 1670	me up	
FTLN 1671	With like advantage on the other side,	
FTLN 1672	Gelding the opposèd continent as much	
FTLN 1673	As on the other side it takes from you.	115
	WORCESTER	
FTLN 1674	Yea, but a little charge will trench him here	
FTLN 1675	And on this north side win this cape of land,	
FTLN 1676	And then he runs straight and even.	
	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 1677	I'll have it so. A little charge will do it.	
FTLN 1678	GLENDOWER I'll not have it altered.	120
FTLN 1679	HOTSPUR Will not you?	
FTLN 1680	GLENDOWER No, nor you shall not.	
FTLN 1681	HOTSPUR Who shall say me nay?	
FTLN 1682	GLENDOWER Why, that will I.	
	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 1683	Let me not understand you, then; speak it in Welsh.	125
	GLENDOWER	
FTLN 1684	I can speak English, lord, as well as you,	
FTLN 1685	For I was trained up in the English court,	
FTLN 1686	Where being but young I framed to the harp	
FTLN 1687	Many an English ditty lovely well	1.20
FTLN 1688	And gave the tongue a helpful ornament—	130
FTLN 1689	A virtue that was never seen in you.	
TTT 37.4.600	Morro and Law alad of it with all my boost	
FTLN 1690	Marry, and I am glad of it with all my heart.	
FTLN 1691	I had rather be a kitten and cry "mew"	
FTLN 1692	Than one of these same [meter] balladmongers.	125
FTLN 1693	I had rather hear a brazen can'stick turned,	135
FTLN 1694	Or a dry wheel grate on the axletree,	
FTLN 1695	And that would set my teeth nothing an edge,	
FTLN 1696	Nothing so much as mincing poetry.  'Tis like the forced gait of a shuffling page.	
FTLN 1697	'Tis like the forced gait of a shuffling nag.	

FTLN 1698	GLENDOWER Come, you shall have Trent turned.		140
	HOTSPUR		1.0
FTLN 1699	I do not care. I'll give thrice so much land		
FTLN 1700	To any well-deserving friend;		
FTLN 1701	But in the way of bargain, mark you me,		
FTLN 1702	I'll cavil on the ninth part of a hair.		
FTLN 1703	Are the indentures drawn? Shall we be gone?		145
	GLENDOWER		
FTLN 1704	The moon shines fair. You may away by night.		
FTLN 1705	I'll haste the writer, and withal		
FTLN 1706	Break with your wives of your departure hence.		
FTLN 1707	I am afraid my daughter will run mad,		
FTLN 1708	So much she doteth on her Mortimer.	He exits.	150
	MORTIMER		
FTLN 1709	Fie, cousin Percy, how you cross my father!		
	HOTSPUR		
FTLN 1710	I cannot choose. Sometime he angers me		
FTLN 1711	With telling me of the moldwarp and the ant,		
FTLN 1712	Of the dreamer Merlin and his prophecies,		
FTLN 1713	And of a dragon and a finless fish,		155
FTLN 1714	A clip-winged griffin and a moulten raven,		
FTLN 1715	A couching lion and a ramping cat,		
FTLN 1716	And such a deal of skimble-skamble stuff		
FTLN 1717	As puts me from my faith. I tell you what—		
FTLN 1718	He held me last night at least nine hours		160
FTLN 1719	In reckoning up the several devils' names		
FTLN 1720	That were his lackeys. I cried "Hum," and "Well,	go	
FTLN 1721	to,"		
FTLN 1722	But marked him not a word. O, he is as tedious		
FTLN 1723	As a tired horse, a railing wife,		165
FTLN 1724	Worse than a smoky house. I had rather live		
FTLN 1725	With cheese and garlic in a windmill, far,		
FTLN 1726	Than feed on cates and have him talk to me		
FTLN 1727	In any summer house in Christendom.		
	MORTIMER		
FTLN 1728	In faith, he is a worthy gentleman,		170

FTLN 1729	Exceedingly well read and profited	
FTLN 1730	In strange concealments, valiant as a lion,	
FTLN 1731	And wondrous affable, and as bountiful	
FTLN 1732	As mines of India. Shall I tell you, cousin?	
FTLN 1733	He holds your temper in a high respect	175
FTLN 1734	And curbs himself even of his natural scope	
FTLN 1735	When you come cross his humor. Faith, he does.	
FTLN 1736	I warrant you that man is not alive	
FTLN 1737	Might so have tempted him as you have done	
FTLN 1738	Without the taste of danger and reproof.	180
FTLN 1739	But do not use it oft, let me entreat you.	
	WORCESTER, [to Hotspur]	
FTLN 1740	In faith, my lord, you are too willful-blame,	
FTLN 1741	And, since your coming hither, have done enough	
FTLN 1742	To put him quite besides his patience.	
FTLN 1743	You must needs learn, lord, to amend this fault.	185
FTLN 1744	Though sometimes it show greatness, courage,	
FTLN 1745	blood—	
FTLN 1746	And that's the dearest grace it renders you—	
FTLN 1747	Yet oftentimes it doth present harsh rage,	
FTLN 1748	Defect of manners, want of government,	190
FTLN 1749	Pride, haughtiness, opinion, and disdain,	
FTLN 1750	The least of which, haunting a nobleman,	
FTLN 1751	Loseth men's hearts and leaves behind a stain	
FTLN 1752	Upon the beauty of all parts besides,	
FTLN 1753	Beguiling them of commendation.	195
	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 1754	Well, I am schooled. Good manners be your speed!	
FTLN 1755	Here come our wives, and let us take our leave.	
	Enter Glendower with the Ladies.	
	MORTIMER	
FTLN 1756	This is the deadly spite that angers me:	
FTLN 1757	My wife can speak no English, I no Welsh.	
	GLENDOWER	
FTLN 1758	My daughter weeps; she'll not part with you.	200
FTLN 1759	She'll be a soldier too, she'll to the wars.	

FTLN 1760 FTLN 1761	MORTIMER Good father, tell her that she and my aunt Percy Shall follow in your conduct speedily.	
	Glendower speaks to her in Welsh,	
	and she answers him in the same.	
	GLENDOWER C1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	
FTLN 1762	She is desperate here, a peevish self-willed harlotry,	205
FTLN 1763	One that no persuasion can do good upon.  The Lady speaks in Welsh.	205
	MORTIMER	
FTLN 1764	I understand thy looks. That pretty Welsh	
FTLN 1765	Which thou pourest down from these swelling	
FTLN 1766	heavens	
FTLN 1767	I am too perfect in, and but for shame	
FTLN 1768	In such a parley should I answer thee.	210
	The Lady speaks again in Welsh. They kiss.	
FTLN 1769	I understand thy kisses, and thou mine,	
FTLN 1770	And that's a feeling disputation;	
FTLN 1771	But I will never be a truant, love,	
FTLN 1772	Till I have learned thy language; for thy tongue	
FTLN 1773	Makes Welsh as sweet as ditties highly penned,	215
FTLN 1774	Sung by a fair queen in a summer's bower,	
FTLN 1775	With ravishing division, to her lute.	
	GLENDOWER	
FTLN 1776	Nay, if you melt, then will she run mad.	
	The Lady speaks again in Welsh.	
	MORTIMER	
FTLN 1777	O, I am ignorance itself in this!	
	GLENDOWER	
FTLN 1778	She bids you on the wanton rushes lay you down	220
FTLN 1779	And rest your gentle head upon her lap,	
FTLN 1780	And she will sing the song that pleaseth you,	
FTLN 1781	And on your eyelids crown the god of sleep,	
FTLN 1782	Charming your blood with pleasing heaviness,	A
FTLN 1783	Making such difference 'twixt wake and sleep	225
FTLN 1784	As is the difference betwixt day and night	

FTLN 1785	The hour before the heavenly harnessed team		
FTLN 1786	Begins his golden progress in the east.		
1121(1700	MORTIMER		
FTLN 1787	With all my heart I'll sit and hear her sing.		
FTLN 1788	By that time will our book, I think, be drawn.	230	
	GLENDOWER		
FTLN 1789	Do so, and those musicians that shall play to you		
FTLN 1790	Hang in the air a thousand leagues from hence,		
FTLN 1791	And straight they shall be here. Sit and attend.		
	HOTSPUR		
FTLN 1792	Come, Kate, thou art perfect in lying down.		
FTLN 1793	Come, quick, quick, that I may lay my head in thy	235	
FTLN 1794	lap.		
FTLN 1795	LADY PERCY Go, you giddy goose.		
	The music plays.		
	HOTSPUR		
FTLN 1796	Now I perceive the devil understands Welsh,		
FTLN 1797	And 'tis no marvel he is so humorous.		
FTLN 1798	By 'r Lady, he is a good musician.	240	
FTLN 1799	LADY PERCY Then should you be nothing but musical,		
FTLN 1800	for you are altogether governed by humors. Lie		
FTLN 1801	still, you thief, and hear the lady sing in Welsh.		
FTLN 1802	HOTSPUR I had rather hear Lady, my brach, howl in		
FTLN 1803	Irish.	245	
FTLN 1804	LADY PERCY Wouldst thou have thy head broken?		
FTLN 1805	HOTSPUR No.		
FTLN 1806	LADY PERCY Then be still.		
FTLN 1807	HOTSPUR Neither; 'tis a woman's fault.		
FTLN 1808	LADY PERCY Now God help thee!	250	
FTLN 1809	HOTSPUR To the Welsh lady's bed.		
FTLN 1810	LADY PERCY What's that?		
FTLN 1811	HOTSPUR Peace, she sings.		
	Here the Lady sings a Welsh song.		
FTLN 1812	HOTSPUR Come, Kate, I'll have your song too.	-	
FTLN 1813	LADY PERCY Not mine, in good sooth.	255	
FTLN 1814	HOTSPUR Not yours, in good sooth! Heart, you swear		

FTLN 1815	like a comfit-maker's wife! "Not you, in good	
FTLN 1816	sooth," and "as true as I live," and "as God shall	
FTLN 1817	mend me," and "as sure as day"—	
FTLN 1818	And givest such sarcenet surety for thy oaths	260
FTLN 1819	As if thou never walk'st further than Finsbury.	
FTLN 1820	Swear me, Kate, like a lady as thou art,	
FTLN 1821	A good mouth-filling oath, and leave "in sooth,"	
FTLN 1822	And such protest of pepper-gingerbread	
FTLN 1823	To velvet-guards and Sunday citizens.	265
FTLN 1824	Come, sing.	
FTLN 1825	LADY PERCY I will not sing.	
FTLN 1826	HOTSPUR 'Tis the next way to turn tailor, or be redbreast	
FTLN 1827	teacher. An the indentures be drawn, I'll	
FTLN 1828	away within these two hours, and so come in when	270
FTLN 1829	you will. He exits.	
	GLENDOWER	
FTLN 1830	Come, come, Lord Mortimer, you are as slow	
FTLN 1831	As hot Lord Percy is on fire to go.	
FTLN 1832	By this our book is drawn. We'll but seal,	
FTLN 1833	And then to horse immediately.	275
FTLN 1834	MORTIMER With all my heart.	
	They exit.	

## Scene 2 Enter the King, Prince of Wales, and others.

### **KING** Lords, give us leave; the Prince of Wales and I FTLN 1835 Must have some private conference, but be near at FTLN 1836 hand, FTLN 1837 For we shall presently have need of you. FTLN 1838 Lords exit. I know not whether God will have it so 5 FTLN 1839 For some displeasing service I have done, FTLN 1840 That, in His secret doom, out of my blood FTLN 1841

FTLN 1842	He'll breed revengement and a scourge for me.	
FTLN 1843	But thou dost in thy passages of life	
FTLN 1844	Make me believe that thou art only marked	10
FTLN 1845	For the hot vengeance and the rod of heaven	
FTLN 1846	To punish my mistreadings. Tell me else,	
FTLN 1847	Could such inordinate and low desires,	
FTLN 1848	Such poor, such bare, such lewd, such mean	
FTLN 1849	attempts,	15
FTLN 1850	Such barren pleasures, rude society	
FTLN 1851	As thou art matched withal, and grafted to,	
FTLN 1852	Accompany the greatness of thy blood,	
FTLN 1853	And hold their level with thy princely heart?	
	PRINCE	
FTLN 1854	So please your Majesty, I would I could	20
FTLN 1855	Quit all offenses with as clear excuse	
FTLN 1856	As well as I am doubtless I can purge	
FTLN 1857	Myself of many I am charged withal.	
FTLN 1858	Yet such extenuation let me beg	
FTLN 1859	As, in reproof of many tales devised,	25
FTLN 1860	Which oft the ear of greatness needs must hear,	
FTLN 1861	By smiling pickthanks and base newsmongers,	
FTLN 1862	I may for some things true, wherein my youth	
FTLN 1863	Hath faulty wandered and irregular,	
FTLN 1864	Find pardon on my true submission.	30
	KING	
FTLN 1865	God pardon thee. Yet let me wonder, Harry,	
FTLN 1866	At thy affections, which do hold a wing	
FTLN 1867	Quite from the flight of all thy ancestors.	
FTLN 1868	Thy place in council thou hast rudely lost,	
FTLN 1869	Which by thy younger brother is supplied,	35
FTLN 1870	And art almost an alien to the hearts	
FTLN 1871	Of all the court and princes of my blood.	
FTLN 1872	The hope and expectation of thy time	
FTLN 1873	Is ruined, and the soul of every man	
FTLN 1874	Prophetically do forethink thy fall.	40
FTLN 1875	Had I so lavish of my presence been,	

FTLN 1876	So common-hackneyed in the eyes of men,	
FTLN 1877	So stale and cheap to vulgar company,	
FTLN 1878	Opinion, that did help me to the crown,	
FTLN 1879	Had still kept loyal to possession	45
FTLN 1880	And left me in reputeless banishment,	
FTLN 1881	A fellow of no mark nor likelihood.	
FTLN 1882	By being seldom seen, I could not stir	
FTLN 1883	But like a comet I was wondered at,	
FTLN 1884	That men would tell their children "This is he."	50
FTLN 1885	Others would say "Where? Which is Bolingbroke?"	
FTLN 1886	And then I stole all courtesy from heaven,	
FTLN 1887	And dressed myself in such humility	
FTLN 1888	That I did pluck allegiance from men's hearts,	
FTLN 1889	Loud shouts and salutations from their mouths,	55
FTLN 1890	Even in the presence of the crowned king.	
FTLN 1891	Thus did I keep my person fresh and new,	
FTLN 1892	My presence, like a robe pontifical,	
FTLN 1893	Ne'er seen but wondered at, and so my state,	
FTLN 1894	Seldom but sumptuous, showed like a feast	60
FTLN 1895	And won by rareness such solemnity.	
FTLN 1896	The skipping king, he ambled up and down	
FTLN 1897	With shallow jesters and rash bavin wits,	
FTLN 1898	Soon kindled and soon burnt; carded his state,	
FTLN 1899	Mingled his royalty with cap'ring fools,	65
FTLN 1900	Had his great name profaned with their scorns,	
FTLN 1901	And gave his countenance, against his name,	
FTLN 1902	To laugh at gibing boys and stand the push	
FTLN 1903	Of every beardless vain comparative;	
FTLN 1904	Grew a companion to the common streets,	70
FTLN 1905	Enfeoffed himself to popularity,	
FTLN 1906	That, being daily swallowed by men's eyes,	
FTLN 1907	They surfeited with honey and began	
FTLN 1908	To loathe the taste of sweetness, whereof a little	
FTLN 1909	More than a little is by much too much.	75
FTLN 1910	So, when he had occasion to be seen,	

FTLN 1911	He was but as the cuckoo is in June,	
FTLN 1912	Heard, not regarded; seen, but with such eyes	
FTLN 1913	As, sick and blunted with community,	
FTLN 1914	Afford no extraordinary gaze	80
FTLN 1915	Such as is bent on sunlike majesty	
FTLN 1916	When it shines seldom in admiring eyes,	
FTLN 1917	But rather drowsed and hung their eyelids down,	
FTLN 1918	Slept in his face, and rendered such aspect	
FTLN 1919	As cloudy men use to their adversaries,	85
FTLN 1920	Being with his presence glutted, gorged, and full.	
FTLN 1921	And in that very line, Harry, standest thou,	
FTLN 1922	For thou hast lost thy princely privilege	
FTLN 1923	With vile participation. Not an eye	
FTLN 1924	But is aweary of thy common sight,	90
FTLN 1925	Save mine, which hath desired to see thee more,	
FTLN 1926	Which now doth that I would not have it do,	
FTLN 1927	Make blind itself with foolish tenderness.	
	PRINCE	
FTLN 1928	I shall hereafter, my thrice gracious lord,	
FTLN 1929	Be more myself.	95
FTLN 1930	KING For all the world	
FTLN 1931	As thou art to this hour was Richard then	
FTLN 1932	When I from France set foot at Ravenspurgh,	
FTLN 1933	And even as I was then is Percy now.	
FTLN 1934	Now, by my scepter, and my soul to boot,	100
FTLN 1935	He hath more worthy interest to the state	
FTLN 1936	Than thou, the shadow of succession.	
FTLN 1937	For of no right, nor color like to right,	
FTLN 1938	He doth fill fields with harness in the realm,	
FTLN 1939	Turns head against the lion's armed jaws,	105
FTLN 1940	And, being no more in debt to years than thou,	
FTLN 1941	Leads ancient lords and reverend bishops on	
FTLN 1942	To bloody battles and to bruising arms.	
FTLN 1943	What never-dying honor hath he got	
FTLN 1944	Against renownèd Douglas, whose high deeds,	110
FTLN 1945	Whose hot incursions and great name in arms,	

FTLN 1946	Holds from all soldiers chief majority	
FTLN 1947	And military title capital	
FTLN 1948	Through all the kingdoms that acknowledge Christ.	
FTLN 1949	Thrice hath this Hotspur, Mars in swaddling	115
FTLN 1950	clothes,	
FTLN 1951	This infant warrior, in his enterprises	
FTLN 1952	Discomfited great Douglas, ta'en him once,	
FTLN 1953	Enlargèd him, and made a friend of him,	
FTLN 1954	To fill the mouth of deep defiance up	120
FTLN 1955	And shake the peace and safety of our throne.	
FTLN 1956	And what say you to this? Percy, Northumberland,	
FTLN 1957	The Archbishop's Grace of York, Douglas,	
FTLN 1958	Mortimer,	
FTLN 1959	Capitulate against us and are up.	125
FTLN 1960	But wherefore do I tell these news to thee?	
FTLN 1961	Why, Harry, do I tell thee of my foes,	
FTLN 1962	Which art my nearest and dearest enemy?	
FTLN 1963	Thou that art like enough, through vassal fear,	
FTLN 1964	Base inclination, and the start of spleen,	130
FTLN 1965	To fight against me under Percy's pay,	
FTLN 1966	To dog his heels, and curtsy at his frowns,	
FTLN 1967	To show how much thou art degenerate.	
	PRINCE	
FTLN 1968	Do not think so. You shall not find it so.	
FTLN 1969	And God forgive them that so much have swayed	135
FTLN 1970	Your Majesty's good thoughts away from me.	
FTLN 1971	I will redeem all this on Percy's head,	
FTLN 1972	And, in the closing of some glorious day,	
FTLN 1973	Be bold to tell you that I am your son,	
FTLN 1974	When I will wear a garment all of blood	140
FTLN 1975	And stain my favors in a bloody mask,	
FTLN 1976	Which, washed away, shall scour my shame with it.	
FTLN 1977	And that shall be the day, whene'er it lights,	
FTLN 1978	That this same child of honor and renown,	
FTLN 1979	This gallant Hotspur, this all-praised knight,	145
FTLN 1980	And your unthought-of Harry chance to meet.	

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FTLN 1981	For every honor sitting on his helm,	
FTLN 1982	Would they were multitudes, and on my head	
FTLN 1983	My shames redoubled! For the time will come	
FTLN 1984	That I shall make this northern youth exchange	150
FTLN 1985	His glorious deeds for my indignities.	
FTLN 1986	Percy is but my factor, good my lord,	
FTLN 1987	To engross up glorious deeds on my behalf.	
FTLN 1988	And I will call him to so strict account	
FTLN 1989	That he shall render every glory up,	155
FTLN 1990	Yea, even the slightest worship of his time,	
FTLN 1991	Or I will tear the reckoning from his heart.	
FTLN 1992	This in the name of God I promise here,	
FTLN 1993	The which if He be pleased I shall perform,	
FTLN 1994	I do beseech your Majesty may salve	160
FTLN 1995	The long-grown wounds of my intemperance.	
FTLN 1996	If not, the end of life cancels all bands,	
FTLN 1997	And I will die a hundred thousand deaths	
FTLN 1998	Ere break the smallest parcel of this vow.	
	KING	
FTLN 1999	A hundred thousand rebels die in this.	165
FTLN 2000	Thou shalt have charge and sovereign trust herein.	
	Enter Blunt.	
FTLN 2001	How now, good Blunt? Thy looks are full of speed.	
	BLUNT	
FTLN 2002	So hath the business that I come to speak of.	
FTLN 2003	Lord Mortimer of Scotland hath sent word	
FTLN 2004	That Douglas and the English rebels met	170
FTLN 2005	The eleventh of this month at Shrewsbury.	
FTLN 2006	A mighty and a fearful head they are,	
FTLN 2007	If promises be kept on every hand,	
FTLN 2008	As ever offered foul play in a state.	
	KING	
FTLN 2009	The Earl of Westmoreland set forth today,	175
FTLN 2010	With him my son, Lord John of Lancaster,	
FTLN 2011	For this advertisement is five days old.—	
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FTLN 2012	On Wednesday next, Harry, you shall set forward.	
FTLN 2013	On Thursday we ourselves will march. Our meeting	
FTLN 2014	Is Bridgenorth. And, Harry, you shall march	180
FTLN 2015	Through Gloucestershire; by which account,	
FTLN 2016	Our business valuèd, some twelve days hence	
FTLN 2017	Our general forces at Bridgenorth shall meet.	
FTLN 2018	Our hands are full of business. Let's away.	
FTLN 2019	Advantage feeds him fat while men delay.	185
	They exit.	

# Scene 3 Enter Falstaff and Bardolph.

FALSTAFF Bardolph, am I not fallen away vilely since	
this last action? Do I not bate? Do I not dwindle?	
Why, my skin hangs about me like an old lady's	
loose gown. I am withered like an old applejohn.	
Well, I'll repent, and that suddenly, while I am in	5
some liking. I shall be out of heart shortly, and then	
I shall have no strength to repent. An I have not	
forgotten what the inside of a church is made of, I	
am a peppercorn, a brewer's horse. The inside of a	
church! Company, villainous company, hath been	10
the spoil of me.	
BARDOLPH Sir John, you are so fretful you cannot live	
long.	
FALSTAFF Why, there is it. Come, sing me a bawdy	
song, make me merry. I was as virtuously given as a	15
gentleman need to be, virtuous enough: swore	
little; diced not above seven times—a week; went to	
a bawdy house not above once in a quarter—of an	
hour; paid money that I borrowed—three or four	
times; lived well and in good compass; and now I	20
live out of all order, out of all compass.	
BARDOLPH Why, you are so fat, Sir John, that you must	
	this last action? Do I not bate? Do I not dwindle? Why, my skin hangs about me like an old lady's loose gown. I am withered like an old applejohn. Well, I'll repent, and that suddenly, while I am in some liking. I shall be out of heart shortly, and then I shall have no strength to repent. An I have not forgotten what the inside of a church is made of, I am a peppercorn, a brewer's horse. The inside of a church! Company, villainous company, hath been the spoil of me.  BARDOLPH Sir John, you are so fretful you cannot live long.  FALSTAFF Why, there is it. Come, sing me a bawdy song, make me merry. I was as virtuously given as a gentleman need to be, virtuous enough: swore little; diced not above seven times—a week; went to a bawdy house not above once in a quarter—of an hour; paid money that I borrowed—three or four times; lived well and in good compass; and now I live out of all order, out of all compass.

FTLN 2042	needs be out of all compass, out of all reasonable	
FTLN 2043	compass, Sir John.	
FTLN 2044	FALSTAFF Do thou amend thy face, and I'll amend my	25
FTLN 2045	life. Thou art our admiral, thou bearest the lantern	
FTLN 2046	in the poop, but 'tis in the nose of thee. Thou art the	
FTLN 2047	Knight of the Burning Lamp.	
FTLN 2048	BARDOLPH Why, Sir John, my face does you no harm.	
FTLN 2049	FALSTAFF No, I'll be sworn, I make as good use of it as	30
FTLN 2050	many a man doth of a death's-head or a memento	
FTLN 2051	<i>mori</i> . I never see thy face but I think upon hellfire	
FTLN 2052	and Dives that lived in purple, for there he is in his	
FTLN 2053	robes, burning, burning. If thou wert any way given	
FTLN 2054	to virtue, I would swear by thy face. My oath should	35
FTLN 2055	be "By this fire, "that's" God's angel." But thou art	
FTLN 2056	altogether given over, and wert indeed, but for the	
FTLN 2057	light in thy face, the son of utter darkness. When	
FTLN 2058	thou ran'st up Gad's Hill in the night to catch my	
FTLN 2059	horse, if I did not think thou hadst been an ignis	40
FTLN 2060	fatuus, or a ball of wildfire, there's no purchase in	
FTLN 2061	money. O, thou art a perpetual triumph, an everlasting	
FTLN 2062	bonfire-light. Thou hast saved me a thousand	
FTLN 2063	marks in links and torches, walking with thee in the	
FTLN 2064	night betwixt tavern and tavern, but the sack that	45
FTLN 2065	thou hast drunk me would have bought me lights as	
FTLN 2066	good cheap at the dearest chandler's in Europe. I	
FTLN 2067	have maintained that salamander of yours with fire	
FTLN 2068	any time this two-and-thirty years, God reward me	
FTLN 2069	for it.	50
FTLN 2070	BARDOLPH 'Sblood, I would my face were in your	
FTLN 2071	belly!	
FTLN 2072	FALSTAFF Godamercy, so should I be sure to be	
FTLN 2073	heartburned!	
	Enter Hostess.	
FTLN 2074	How now, Dame Partlet the hen, have you enquired	55
FTLN 2075	yet who picked my pocket?	

FTLN 2076	HOSTESS Why, Sir John, what do you think, Sir John,	
FTLN 2077	do you think I keep thieves in my house? I have	
FTLN 2078	searched, I have enquired, so has my husband,	
FTLN 2079	man by man, boy by boy, servant by servant.	60
FTLN 2080	The tithe of a hair was never lost in my house	
FTLN 2081	before.	
FTLN 2082	FALSTAFF You lie, hostess. Bardolph was shaved and	
FTLN 2083	lost many a hair, and I'll be sworn my pocket was	
FTLN 2084	picked. Go to, you are a woman, go.	65
FTLN 2085	HOSTESS Who, I? No, I defy thee! God's light, I was	
FTLN 2086	never called so in mine own house before.	
FTLN 2087	FALSTAFF Go to, I know you well enough.	
FTLN 2088	HOSTESS No, Sir John, you do not know me, Sir John. I	
FTLN 2089	know you, Sir John. You owe me money, Sir John,	70
FTLN 2090	and now you pick a quarrel to beguile me of it. I	
FTLN 2091	bought you a dozen of shirts to your back.	
FTLN 2092	FALSTAFF Dowlas, filthy dowlas. I have given them	
FTLN 2093	away to bakers' wives; they have made bolters of	
FTLN 2094	them.	75
FTLN 2095	HOSTESS Now, as I am a true woman, holland of eight	
FTLN 2096	shillings an ell. You owe money here besides, Sir	
FTLN 2097	John, for your diet and by-drinkings and money	
FTLN 2098	lent you, four-and-twenty pound.	
FTLN 2099	FALSTAFF, <i>pointing to Bardolph</i> He had his part of it.	80
FTLN 2100	Let him pay.	
FTLN 2101	HOSTESS He? Alas, he is poor. He hath nothing.	
FTLN 2102	FALSTAFF How, poor? Look upon his face. What call	
FTLN 2103	you rich? Let them coin his nose. Let them coin his	
FTLN 2104	cheeks. I'll not pay a denier. What, will you make a	85
FTLN 2105	younker of me? Shall I not take mine ease in mine	
FTLN 2106	inn but I shall have my pocket picked? I have lost a	
FTLN 2107	seal ring of my grandfather's worth forty mark.	
FTLN 2108	HOSTESS, <i>to Bardolph</i> O Jesu, I have heard the Prince	
FTLN 2109	tell him, I know not how oft, that that ring was	90
FTLN 2110	copper.	
FTLN 2111	FALSTAFF How? The Prince is a jack, a sneak-up.	

FTLN 2112 FTLN 2113	'Sblood, an he were here, I would cudgel him like a dog if he would say so.	
	Enter the Prince marching, with Peto, and Falstaff meets him playing upon his truncheon like a fife.	
FTLN 2114	How now, lad, is the wind in that door, i' faith? Must	95
FTLN 2115	we all march?	
FTLN 2116	BARDOLPH Yea, two and two, Newgate fashion.	
FTLN 2117	HOSTESS, <i>to Prince</i> My lord, I pray you, hear me.	
FTLN 2118	PRINCE What say'st thou, Mistress Quickly? How doth	
FTLN 2119	thy husband? I love him well; he is an honest man.	100
FTLN 2120	HOSTESS Good my lord, hear me.	
FTLN 2121	FALSTAFF Prithee, let her alone, and list to me.	
FTLN 2122	PRINCE What say'st thou, Jack?	
FTLN 2123	FALSTAFF The other night I fell asleep here, behind the	
FTLN 2124	arras, and had my pocket picked. This house is	105
FTLN 2125	turned bawdy house; they pick pockets.	
FTLN 2126	PRINCE What didst thou lose, Jack?	
FTLN 2127	FALSTAFF Wilt thou believe me, Hal, three or four	
FTLN 2128	bonds of forty pound apiece, and a seal ring of my	
FTLN 2129	grandfather's.	110
FTLN 2130	PRINCE A trifle, some eightpenny matter.	
FTLN 2131	HOSTESS So I told him, my lord, and I said I heard	
FTLN 2132	your Grace say so. And, my lord, he speaks most	
FTLN 2133	vilely of you, like a foul-mouthed man, as he is, and	
FTLN 2134	said he would cudgel you.	115
FTLN 2135	PRINCE What, he did not!	
FTLN 2136	HOSTESS There's neither faith, truth, nor womanhood	
FTLN 2137	in me else.	
FTLN 2138	FALSTAFF There's no more faith in thee than in a	
FTLN 2139	stewed prune, nor no more truth in thee than in a	120
FTLN 2140	drawn fox, and for womanhood, Maid Marian may	
FTLN 2141	be the deputy's wife of the ward to thee. Go, you	
FTLN 2142	thing, go.	
FTLN 2143	HOSTESS Say, what thing, what thing?	
FTLN 2144	FALSTAFF What thing? Why, a thing to thank God on.	125

FTLN 2145	HOSTESS I am no thing to thank God on, I would thou	
FTLN 2146	shouldst know it! I am an honest man's wife, and,	
FTLN 2147	setting thy knighthood aside, thou art a knave to	
FTLN 2148	call me so.	
FTLN 2149	FALSTAFF Setting thy womanhood aside, thou art a	130
FTLN 2150	beast to say otherwise.	
FTLN 2151	HOSTESS Say, what beast, thou knave, thou?	
FTLN 2152	FALSTAFF What beast? Why, an otter.	
FTLN 2153	PRINCE An otter, Sir John. Why an otter?	
FTLN 2154	FALSTAFF Why, she's neither fish nor flesh; a man	135
FTLN 2155	knows not where to have her.	
FTLN 2156	HOSTESS Thou art an unjust man in saying so. Thou or	
FTLN 2157	any man knows where to have me, thou knave,	
FTLN 2158	thou.	
FTLN 2159	PRINCE Thou sayst true, hostess, and he slanders thee	140
FTLN 2160	most grossly.	
FTLN 2161	HOSTESS So he doth you, my lord, and said this other	
FTLN 2162	day you owed him a thousand pound.	
FTLN 2163	PRINCE Sirrah, do I owe you a thousand pound?	
FTLN 2164	FALSTAFF A thousand pound, Hal? A million. Thy love is	145
FTLN 2165	worth a million; thou owest me thy love.	
FTLN 2166	HOSTESS Nay, my lord, he called you "jack," and said	
FTLN 2167	he would cudgel you.	
FTLN 2168	FALSTAFF Did I, Bardolph?	
FTLN 2169	BARDOLPH Indeed, Sir John, you said so.	150
FTLN 2170	FALSTAFF Yea, if he said my ring was copper.	
FTLN 2171	PRINCE I say 'tis copper. Darest thou be as good as thy	
FTLN 2172	word now?	
FTLN 2173	FALSTAFF Why, Hal, thou knowest, as thou art but	
FTLN 2174	man, I dare, but as thou art prince, I fear thee as I	155
FTLN 2175	fear the roaring of the lion's whelp.	
FTLN 2176	PRINCE And why not as the lion?	
FTLN 2177	FALSTAFF The King himself is to be feared as the lion.	
FTLN 2178	Dost thou think I'll fear thee as I fear thy father?	
FTLN 2179	Nay, an I do, I pray God my girdle break.	160
FTLN 2180	PRINCE O, if it should, how would thy guts fall about	

FTLN 2181	thy knees! But, sirrah, there's no room for faith,	
FTLN 2182	truth, nor honesty in this bosom of thine. It is all	
FTLN 2183	filled up with guts and midriff. Charge an honest	
FTLN 2184	woman with picking thy pocket? Why, thou whoreson,	165
FTLN 2185	impudent, embossed rascal, if there were	
FTLN 2186	anything in thy pocket but tavern reckonings,	
FTLN 2187	memorandums of bawdy houses, and one poor	
FTLN 2188	pennyworth of sugar candy to make thee long-winded,	
FTLN 2189	if thy pocket were enriched with any other	170
FTLN 2190	injuries but these, I am a villain. And yet you will	
FTLN 2191	stand to it! You will not pocket up wrong! Art thou	
FTLN 2192	not ashamed?	
FTLN 2193	FALSTAFF Dost thou hear, Hal? Thou knowest in the	
FTLN 2194	state of innocency Adam fell, and what should poor	175
FTLN 2195	Jack Falstaff do in the days of villainy? Thou seest I	
FTLN 2196	have more flesh than another man and therefore	
FTLN 2197	more frailty. You confess, then, you picked my	
FTLN 2198	pocket.	
FTLN 2199	PRINCE It appears so by the story.	180
FTLN 2200	FALSTAFF Hostess, I forgive thee. Go make ready	
FTLN 2201	breakfast, love thy husband, look to thy servants,	
FTLN 2202	cherish thy guests. Thou shalt find me tractable	
FTLN 2203	to any honest reason. Thou seest I am pacified still.	
FTLN 2204	Nay, prithee, begone. (Hostess exits.) Now, Hal, to	185
FTLN 2205	the news at court. For the robbery, lad, how is that	
FTLN 2206	answered?	
FTLN 2207	PRINCE O, my sweet beef, I must still be good angel to	
FTLN 2208	thee. The money is paid back again.	
FTLN 2209	FALSTAFF O, I do not like that paying back. 'Tis a double	190
FTLN 2210	labor.	
FTLN 2211	PRINCE I am good friends with my father and may do	
FTLN 2212	anything.	
FTLN 2213	FALSTAFF Rob me the Exchequer the first thing thou	
FTLN 2214	dost, and do it with unwashed hands too.	195
FTLN 2215	BARDOLPH Do, my lord.	
FTLN 2216	PRINCE I have procured thee, Jack, a charge of foot.	

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ETI NI 2217	FALSTAFF I would it had been of horse. Where shall I	
FTLN 2217		
FTLN 2218	find one that can steal well? O, for a fine thief of	• • •
FTLN 2219	the age of two-and-twenty or thereabouts! I am heinously	200
FTLN 2220	unprovided. Well, God be thanked for these	
FTLN 2221	rebels. They offend none but the virtuous. I laud	
FTLN 2222	them; I praise them.	
FTLN 2223	PRINCE Bardolph.	
FTLN 2224	BARDOLPH My lord.	205
	PRINCE, <i>[handing Bardolph papers]</i>	
FTLN 2225	Go, bear this letter to Lord John of Lancaster,	
FTLN 2226	To my brother John; this to my Lord of	
FTLN 2227	Westmoreland.	
FTLN 2228	Go, Peto, to horse, to horse, for thou and I	
FTLN 2229	Have thirty miles to ride yet ere dinner time.	210
	「Peto exits. ]	
FTLN 2230	Jack, meet me tomorrow in the Temple hall	
FTLN 2231	At two o'clock in the afternoon;	
FTLN 2232	There shalt thou know thy charge, and there receive	
FTLN 2233	Money and order for their furniture.	
FTLN 2234	The land is burning. Percy stands on high,	215
FTLN 2235	And either we or they must lower lie.   The exits.	
	FALSTAFF	
FTLN 2236	Rare words, brave world!—Hostess, my breakfast,	
FTLN 2237	come.—	
FTLN 2238	O, I could wish this tavern were my drum.	
	THe exits.	

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# Scene 1 Finter Hotspur, Worcester, and Douglas.

	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 2239	Well said, my noble Scot. If speaking truth	
FTLN 2240	In this fine age were not thought flattery,	
FTLN 2241	Such attribution should the Douglas have	
FTLN 2242	As not a soldier of this season's stamp	
FTLN 2243	Should go so general current through the world.	5
FTLN 2244	By God, I cannot flatter. I do defy	
FTLN 2245	The tongues of soothers. But a braver place	
FTLN 2246	In my heart's love hath no man than yourself.	
FTLN 2247	Nay, task me to my word; approve me, lord.	
FTLN 2248	DOUGLAS Thou art the king of honor.	10
FTLN 2249	No man so potent breathes upon the ground	
FTLN 2250	But I will beard him.	
FTLN 2251	HOTSPUR Do so, and 'tis well.	
	Enter [a Messenger] with letters.	
FTLN 2252	What letters hast thou there? To Douglas. I can but	
FTLN 2253	thank you.	15
FTLN 2254	MESSENGER These letters come from your father.	
	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 2255	Letters from him! Why comes he not himself?	
	MESSENGER	
FTLN 2256	He cannot come, my lord. He is grievous sick.	
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	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 2257	Zounds, how has he the leisure to be sick	
FTLN 2258	In such a justling time? Who leads his power?	20
FTLN 2259	Under whose government come they along?	
	MESSENGER, \( \begin{aligned} \text{handing letter to Hotspur, who begins} \end{aligned} \)	
	reading it	
FTLN 2260	His letters bears his mind, not I, my \[ \text{lord.} \]	
	WORCESTER	
FTLN 2261	I prithee, tell me, doth he keep his bed?	
	MESSENGER	
FTLN 2262	He did, my lord, four days ere I set forth,	
FTLN 2263	And, at the time of my departure thence,	25
FTLN 2264	He was much feared by his physicians.	
	WORCESTER	
FTLN 2265	I would the state of time had first been whole	
FTLN 2266	Ere he by sickness had been visited.	
FTLN 2267	His health was never better worth than now.	
	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 2268	Sick now? Droop now? This sickness doth infect	30
FTLN 2269	The very lifeblood of our enterprise.	
FTLN 2270	'Tis catching hither, even to our camp.	
FTLN 2271	He writes me here that inward sickness—	
FTLN 2272	And that his friends by deputation	2.5
FTLN 2273	Could not so soon be drawn, nor did he think it	35
FTLN 2274	meet	
FTLN 2275	To lay so dangerous and dear a trust	
FTLN 2276	On any soul removed but on his own;	
FTLN 2277	Yet doth he give us bold advertisement	40
FTLN 2278	That with our small conjunction we should on	40
FTLN 2279	To see how fortune is disposed to us,	
FTLN 2280	For, as he writes, there is no quailing now,	
FTLN 2281	Because the King is certainly possessed	
FTLN 2282	Of all our purposes. What say you to it? WORCESTER	
FTLN 2283	Your father's sickness is a maim to us.	45
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	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 2284	A perilous gash, a very limb lopped off!	
FTLN 2285	And yet, in faith, it is not. His present want	
FTLN 2286	Seems more than we shall find it. Were it good	
FTLN 2287	To set the exact wealth of all our states	
FTLN 2288	All at one cast? To set so rich a main	50
FTLN 2289	On the nice hazard of one doubtful hour?	
FTLN 2290	It were not good, for therein should we read	
FTLN 2291	The very bottom and the soul of hope,	
FTLN 2292	The very list, the very utmost bound	
FTLN 2293	Of all our fortunes.	55
	DOUGLAS	
FTLN 2294	Faith, and so we should, where now remains	
FTLN 2295	A sweet reversion. We may boldly spend	
FTLN 2296	Upon the hope of what ris to come in.	
FTLN 2297	A comfort of retirement lives in this.	
	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 2298	A rendezvous, a home to fly unto,	60
FTLN 2299	If that the devil and mischance look big	
FTLN 2300	Upon the maidenhead of our affairs.	
	WORCESTER	
FTLN 2301	But yet I would your father had been here.	
FTLN 2302	The quality and hair of our attempt	
FTLN 2303	Brooks no division. It will be thought	65
FTLN 2304	By some that know not why he is away	
FTLN 2305	That wisdom, loyalty, and mere dislike	
FTLN 2306	Of our proceedings kept the Earl from hence.	
FTLN 2307	And think how such an apprehension	
FTLN 2308	May turn the tide of fearful faction	70
FTLN 2309	And breed a kind of question in our cause.	
FTLN 2310	For well you know, we of the off'ring side	
FTLN 2311	Must keep aloof from strict arbitrament,	
FTLN 2312	And stop all sight-holes, every loop from whence	
FTLN 2313	The eye of reason may pry in upon us.	75
FTLN 2314	This absence of your father's draws a curtain	

FTLN 2315	That shows the ignorant a kind of fear	
FTLN 2316	Before not dreamt of.	
FTLN 2317	HOTSPUR You strain too far.	
FTLN 2318	I rather of his absence make this use:	80
FTLN 2319	It lends a luster and more great opinion,	
FTLN 2320	A larger dare, to our great enterprise	
FTLN 2321	Than if the Earl were here, for men must think	
FTLN 2322	If we without his help can make a head	
FTLN 2323	To push against a kingdom, with his help	85
FTLN 2324	We shall o'erturn it topsy-turvy down.	
FTLN 2325	Yet all goes well; yet all our joints are whole.	
	DOUGLAS	
FTLN 2326	As heart can think. There is not such a word	
FTLN 2327	Spoke of in Scotland as this term of fear.	
	Enter Sir Richard Vernon.	
	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 2328	My cousin Vernon, welcome, by my soul.	90
	VERNON	
FTLN 2329	Pray God my news be worth a welcome, lord.	
FTLN 2330	The Earl of Westmoreland, seven thousand strong,	
FTLN 2331	Is marching hitherwards, with him Prince John.	
	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 2332	No harm, what more?	
FTLN 2333	VERNON And further I have learned	95
FTLN 2334	The King himself in person is set forth,	
FTLN 2335	Or hitherwards intended speedily,	
FTLN 2336	With strong and mighty preparation.	
	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 2337	He shall be welcome too. Where is his son,	
FTLN 2338	The nimble-footed madcap Prince of Wales,	100
FTLN 2339	And his comrades, that daffed the world aside	
FTLN 2340	And bid it pass?	
FTLN 2341	VERNON All furnished, all in arms,	
FTLN 2342	All plumed like estridges that with the wind	
FTLN 2343	Bated like eagles having lately bathed,	105
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FTLN 2344	Glittering in golden coats like images,	
FTLN 2345	As full of spirit as the month of May,	
FTLN 2346	And gorgeous as the sun at midsummer,	
FTLN 2347	Wanton as youthful goats, wild as young bulls.	
FTLN 2348	I saw young Harry with his beaver on,	110
FTLN 2349	His cuisses on his thighs, gallantly armed,	
FTLN 2350	Rise from the ground like feathered Mercury	
FTLN 2351	And vaulted with such ease into his seat	
FTLN 2352	As if an angel [dropped] down from the clouds,	
FTLN 2353	To turn and wind a fiery Pegasus	115
FTLN 2354	And witch the world with noble horsemanship.	
	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 2355	No more, no more! Worse than the sun in March	
FTLN 2356	This praise doth nourish agues. Let them come.	
FTLN 2357	They come like sacrifices in their trim,	
FTLN 2358	And to the fire-eyed maid of smoky war	120
FTLN 2359	All hot and bleeding will we offer them.	
FTLN 2360	The mailed Mars shall on his [altar] sit	
FTLN 2361	Up to the ears in blood. I am on fire	
FTLN 2362	To hear this rich reprisal is so nigh	
FTLN 2363	And yet not ours. Come, let me taste my horse,	125
FTLN 2364	Who is to bear me like a thunderbolt	
FTLN 2365	Against the bosom of the Prince of Wales.	
FTLN 2366	Harry to Harry shall, hot horse to horse,	
FTLN 2367	Meet and ne'er part till one drop down a corse.	
FTLN 2368	O, that Glendower were come!	130
FTLN 2369	VERNON There is more news.	
FTLN 2370	I learned in Worcester, as I rode along,	
FTLN 2371	He cannot draw his power this fourteen days.	
	DOUGLAS	
FTLN 2372	That's the worst tidings that I hear of \( \text{yet.} \)	
	WORCESTER	
FTLN 2373	Ay, by my faith, that bears a frosty sound.	135
	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 2374	What may the King's whole battle reach unto?	

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	VERNON
FTLN 2375	To thirty thousand.
FTLN 2376	HOTSPUR Forty let it be.
FTLN 2377	My father and Glendower being both away,
FTLN 2378	The powers of us may serve so great a day.
FTLN 2379	Come, let us take a muster speedily.
FTLN 2380	Doomsday is near. Die all, die merrily.
	DOUGLAS
FTLN 2381	Talk not of dying. I am out of fear
FTLN 2382	Of death or death's hand for this one half year.

They exit.

# Scene 2 Enter Falstaff and Bardolph.

FTLN 2383	FALSTAFF Bardolph, get thee before to Coventry. Fill	
FTLN 2384	me a bottle of sack. Our soldiers shall march	
FTLN 2385	through. We'll to Sutton [Coldfield] tonight.	
FTLN 2386	BARDOLPH Will you give me money, captain?	
FTLN 2387	FALSTAFF Lay out, lay out.	5
FTLN 2388	BARDOLPH This bottle makes an angel.	
FTLN 2389	FALSTAFF An if it do, take it for thy labor. An if it make	
FTLN 2390	twenty, take them all. I'll answer the coinage. Bid	
FTLN 2391	my lieutenant Peto meet me at town's end.	
FTLN 2392	BARDOLPH I will, captain. Farewell. He exits.	10
FTLN 2393	FALSTAFF If I be not ashamed of my soldiers, I am a	
FTLN 2394	soused gurnet. I have misused the King's press	
FTLN 2395	damnably. I have got, in exchange of a hundred	
FTLN 2396	and fifty soldiers, three hundred and odd pounds. I	
FTLN 2397	press me none but good householders, "yeomen's"	15
FTLN 2398	sons, inquire me out contracted bachelors, such as	
FTLN 2399	had been asked twice on the banns—such a commodity	
FTLN 2400	of warm slaves as had as Tlief hear the devil	
FTLN 2401	as a drum, such as fear the report of a caliver worse	

FTLN 2402	than a struck fowl or a hurt wild duck. I pressed me	20
FTLN 2403	none but such toasts-and-butter, with hearts in their	
FTLN 2404	bellies no bigger than pins' heads, and they have	
FTLN 2405	bought out their services, and now my whole	
FTLN 2406	charge consists of ancients, corporals, lieutenants,	
FTLN 2407	gentlemen of companies—slaves as ragged as Lazarus	25
FTLN 2408	in the painted cloth, where the glutton's dogs	
FTLN 2409	licked his sores; and such as indeed were never	
FTLN 2410	soldiers, but discarded, unjust servingmen, younger	
FTLN 2411	sons to younger brothers, revolted tapsters, and	
FTLN 2412	ostlers tradefallen, the cankers of a calm world and	30
FTLN 2413	a long peace, ten times more dishonorable-ragged	
FTLN 2414	than an old feazed ancient; and such have I to fill up	
FTLN 2415	the rooms of them as have bought out their services,	
FTLN 2416	that you would think that I had a hundred and fifty	
FTLN 2417	tattered prodigals lately come from swine-keeping,	35
FTLN 2418	from eating draff and husks. A mad fellow met me	
FTLN 2419	on the way and told me I had unloaded all the	
FTLN 2420	gibbets and pressed the dead bodies. No eye hath	
FTLN 2421	seen such scarecrows. I'll not march through Coventry	
FTLN 2422	with them, that's flat. Nay, and the villains	40
FTLN 2423	march wide betwixt the legs as if they had gyves on,	
FTLN 2424	for indeed I had the most of them out of prison.	
FTLN 2425	There's not a shirt and a half in all my company,	
FTLN 2426	and the half shirt is two napkins tacked together	
FTLN 2427	and thrown over the shoulders like a herald's coat	45
FTLN 2428	without sleeves; and the shirt, to say the truth,	
FTLN 2429	stolen from my host at Saint Albans or the red-nose	
FTLN 2430	innkeeper of Daventry. But that's all one; they'll find	
FTLN 2431	linen enough on every hedge.	
	Enter the Prince and the Lord of Westmoreland.	
FTLN 2432	PRINCE How now, blown Jack? How now, quilt?	50
FTLN 2433	FALSTAFF What, Hal, how now, mad wag? What a devil	
FTLN 2434	dost thou in Warwickshire?—My good Lord of	
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FTLN 2435	Westmoreland, I cry you mercy. I thought your	
FTLN 2436	Honor had already been at Shrewsbury.	
FTLN 2437	WESTMORELAND Faith, Sir John, 'tis more than time	55
FTLN 2438	that I were there and you too, but my powers are	
FTLN 2439	there already. The King, I can tell you, looks for us	
FTLN 2440	all. We must away all night.	
FTLN 2441	FALSTAFF Tut, never fear me. I am as vigilant as a cat to	
FTLN 2442	steal cream.	60
FTLN 2443	PRINCE I think to steal cream indeed, for thy theft hath	
FTLN 2444	already made thee butter. But tell me, Jack, whose	
FTLN 2445	fellows are these that come after?	
FTLN 2446	FALSTAFF Mine, Hal, mine.	
FTLN 2447	PRINCE I did never see such pitiful rascals.	65
FTLN 2448	FALSTAFF Tut, tut, good enough to toss; food for powder,	
FTLN 2449	food for powder. They'll fill a pit as well as	
FTLN 2450	better. Tush, man, mortal men, mortal men.	
FTLN 2451	WESTMORELAND Ay, but, Sir John, methinks they are	
FTLN 2452	exceeding poor and bare, too beggarly.	70
FTLN 2453	FALSTAFF Faith, for their poverty, I know not where	
FTLN 2454	they had that, and for their bareness, I am sure they	
FTLN 2455	never learned that of me.	
FTLN 2456	PRINCE No, I'll be sworn, unless you call three fingers	
FTLN 2457	in the ribs bare. But, sirrah, make haste. Percy is	75
FTLN 2458	already in the field. He exits.	
FTLN 2459	FALSTAFF What, is the King encamped?	
FTLN 2460	WESTMORELAND He is, Sir John. I fear we shall stay too	
FTLN 2461	long. The exits.	
FTLN 2462	FALSTAFF Well,	80
FTLN 2463	To the latter end of a fray and the beginning of a	
FTLN 2464	feast	
FTLN 2465	Fits a dull fighter and a keen guest.	
	THe exits.	

# Scene 3 Enter Hotspur, Worcester, Douglas, 「and Vernon.

	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 2466	We'll fight with him tonight.	
FTLN 2467	WORCESTER It may not be.	
	DOUGLAS	
FTLN 2468	You give him then advantage.	
FTLN 2469	VERNON Not a whit.	
	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 2470	Why say you so? Looks he not for supply?	5
FTLN 2471	VERNON So do we.	
FTLN 2472	HOTSPUR His is certain; ours is doubtful.	
	WORCESTER	
FTLN 2473	Good cousin, be advised. Stir not tonight.	
	VERNON, [to Hotspur]	
FTLN 2474	Do not, my lord.	
FTLN 2475	DOUGLAS You do not counsel well.	10
FTLN 2476	You speak it out of fear and cold heart.	
	VERNON	
FTLN 2477	Do me no slander, Douglas. By my life	
FTLN 2478	(And I dare well maintain it with my life),	
FTLN 2479	If well-respected honor bid me on,	
FTLN 2480	I hold as little counsel with weak fear	15
FTLN 2481	As you, my lord, or any Scot that this day lives.	
FTLN 2482	Let it be seen tomorrow in the battle	
FTLN 2483	Which of us fears.	
FTLN 2484	DOUGLAS Yea, or tonight.	
FTLN 2485	VERNON Content.	20
FTLN 2486	HOTSPUR Tonight, say I.	
	VERNON	
FTLN 2487	Come, come, it may not be. I wonder much,	
FTLN 2488	Being men of such great leading as you are,	
FTLN 2489	That you foresee not what impediments	
FTLN 2490	Drag back our expedition. Certain horse	25
FTLN 2491	Of my cousin Vernon's are not yet come up.	

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FTLN 2492	Your uncle Worcester's horse came but today,	
FTLN 2493	And now their pride and mettle is asleep,	
FTLN 2494	Their courage with hard labor tame and dull,	
FTLN 2495	That not a horse is half the half of himself.	30
	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 2496	So are the horses of the enemy	
FTLN 2497	In general journey-bated and brought low.	
FTLN 2498	The better part of ours are full of rest.	
	WORCESTER	
FTLN 2499	The number of the King exceedeth ours.	
FTLN 2500	For God's sake, cousin, stay till all come in.	35
	The trumpet sounds a parley.	
	Enter Sir Walter Blunt.	
	BLUNT	
FTLN 2501	I come with gracious offers from the King,	
FTLN 2502	If you vouchsafe me hearing and respect.	
1 1LIN 2302	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 2503	Welcome, Sir Walter Blunt, and would to God	
FTLN 2504	You were of our determination.	
FTLN 2505	Some of us love you well, and even those some	40
FTLN 2506	Envy your great deservings and good name	
FTLN 2507	Because you are not of our quality	
FTLN 2508	But stand against us like an enemy.	
	BLUNT	
FTLN 2509	And God defend but still I should stand so,	
FTLN 2510	So long as out of limit and true rule	45
FTLN 2511	You stand against anointed majesty.	
FTLN 2512	But to my charge. The King hath sent to know	
FTLN 2513	The nature of your griefs, and whereupon	
FTLN 2514	You conjure from the breast of civil peace	
FTLN 2515	Such bold hostility, teaching his duteous land	50
FTLN 2516	Audacious cruelty. If that the King	
FTLN 2517	Have any way your good deserts forgot,	
FTLN 2518	Which he confesseth to be manifold,	
FTLN 2519	He bids you name your griefs, and with all speed	

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FTLN 2520	You shall have your desires with interest	55
FTLN 2521	And pardon absolute for yourself and these	
FTLN 2522	Herein misled by your suggestion.	
	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 2523	The King is kind, and well we know the King	
FTLN 2524	Knows at what time to promise, when to pay.	
FTLN 2525	My father and my uncle and myself	60
FTLN 2526	Did give him that same royalty he wears,	
FTLN 2527	And when he was not six-and-twenty strong,	
FTLN 2528	Sick in the world's regard, wretched and low,	
FTLN 2529	A poor unminded outlaw sneaking home,	
FTLN 2530	My father gave him welcome to the shore;	65
FTLN 2531	And when he heard him swear and vow to God	
FTLN 2532	He came but to be Duke of Lancaster,	
FTLN 2533	To sue his livery, and beg his peace	
FTLN 2534	With tears of innocency and terms of zeal,	
FTLN 2535	My father, in kind heart and pity moved,	70
FTLN 2536	Swore him assistance and performed it too.	
FTLN 2537	Now when the lords and barons of the realm	
FTLN 2538	Perceived Northumberland did lean to him,	
FTLN 2539	The more and less came in with cap and knee,	
FTLN 2540	Met him in boroughs, cities, villages,	75
FTLN 2541	Attended him on bridges, stood in lanes,	
FTLN 2542	Laid gifts before him, proffered him their oaths,	
FTLN 2543	Gave him their heirs as pages, followed him	
FTLN 2544	Even at the heels in golden multitudes.	
FTLN 2545	He presently, as greatness knows itself,	80
FTLN 2546	Steps me a little higher than his vow	
FTLN 2547	Made to my father while his blood was poor	
FTLN 2548	Upon the naked shore at Ravenspurgh,	
FTLN 2549	And now forsooth takes on him to reform	
FTLN 2550	Some certain edicts and some strait decrees	85
FTLN 2551	That lie too heavy on the commonwealth,	
FTLN 2552	Cries out upon abuses, seems to weep	
FTLN 2553	Over his country's wrongs, and by this face,	
FTLN 2554	This seeming brow of justice, did he win	
FTLN 2555	The hearts of all that he did angle for,	90

FTLN 2556	Proceeded further—cut me off the heads	
FTLN 2557	Of all the favorites that the absent king	
FTLN 2558	In deputation left behind him here	
FTLN 2559	When he was personal in the Irish war.	
FILN 2339	BLUNT	
FTLN 2560	Tut, I came not to hear this.	95
FTLN 2561	HOTSPUR Then to the point.	73
FTLN 2562	In short time after, he deposed the King,	
FTLN 2563	Soon after that deprived him of his life	
FTLN 2564	And, in the neck of that, tasked the whole state.	
FTLN 2565	To make that worse, suffered his kinsman March	100
FTLN 2566	(Who is, if every owner were well placed,	100
FTLN 2567	Indeed his king) to be engaged in Wales,	
FTLN 2568	There without ransom to lie forfeited,	
FTLN 2569	Disgraced me in my happy victories,	
FTLN 2570	Sought to entrap me by intelligence,	105
FTLN 2571	Rated mine uncle from the council board,	
FTLN 2572	In rage dismissed my father from the court,	
FTLN 2573	Broke oath on oath, committed wrong on wrong,	
FTLN 2574	And in conclusion drove us to seek out	
FTLN 2575	This head of safety, and withal to pry	110
FTLN 2576	Into his title, the which we find	
FTLN 2577	Too indirect for long continuance.	
	BLUNT	
FTLN 2578	Shall I return this answer to the King?	
	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 2579	Not so, Sir Walter. We'll withdraw awhile.	
FTLN 2580	Go to the King, and let there be impawned	115
FTLN 2581	Some surety for a safe return again,	
FTLN 2582	And in the morning early shall mine uncle	
FTLN 2583	Bring him our purposes. And so farewell.	
	BLUNT	
FTLN 2584	I would you would accept of grace and love.	
	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 2585	And maybe so we shall.	120
FTLN 2586	BLUNT Pray God you do.	
	They exit.	

# Scene 4 Enter Archbishop of York and Sir Michael.

	ARCHBISHOP, <i>[handing papers]</i>	
FTLN 2587	Hie, good Sir Michael, bear this sealed brief	
FTLN 2588	With wingèd haste to the Lord Marshal,	
FTLN 2589	This to my cousin Scroop, and all the rest	
FTLN 2590	To whom they are directed. If you knew	
FTLN 2591	How much they do import, you would make haste.	5
	SIR MICHAEL	
FTLN 2592	My good lord, I guess their tenor.	
FTLN 2593	ARCHBISHOP Like enough you do.	
FTLN 2594	Tomorrow, good Sir Michael, is a day	
FTLN 2595	Wherein the fortune of ten thousand men	
FTLN 2596	Must bide the touch. For, sir, at Shrewsbury,	10
FTLN 2597	As I am truly given to understand,	
FTLN 2598	The King with mighty and quick-raised power	
FTLN 2599	Meets with Lord Harry. And I fear, Sir Michael,	
FTLN 2600	What with the sickness of Northumberland,	
FTLN 2601	Whose power was in the first proportion,	15
FTLN 2602	And what with Owen Glendower's absence thence,	
FTLN 2603	Who with them was a rated sinew too	
FTLN 2604	And comes not in, o'erruled by prophecies,	
FTLN 2605	I fear the power of Percy is too weak	
FTLN 2606	To wage an instant trial with the King.	20
	SIR MICHAEL	
FTLN 2607	Why, my good lord, you need not fear.	
FTLN 2608	There is Douglas and Lord Mortimer.	
FTLN 2609	ARCHBISHOP No, Mortimer is not there.	
	SIR MICHAEL	
FTLN 2610	But there is Mordake, Vernon, Lord Harry Percy,	
FTLN 2611	And there is my Lord of Worcester, and a head	25
FTLN 2612	Of gallant warriors, noble gentlemen.	
	ARCHBISHOP	
FTLN 2613	And so there is. But yet the King hath drawn	
FTLN 2614	The special head of all the land together:	

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The Prince of Wales, Lord John of Lancaster,	
The noble Westmoreland, and warlike Blunt,	30
And many more corrivals and dear men	
Of estimation and command in arms.	
SIR MICHAEL	
Doubt not, my lord, they shall be well opposed.	
ARCHBISHOP	
I hope no less, yet needful 'tis to fear;	
And to prevent the worst, Sir Michael, speed.	35
For if Lord Percy thrive not, ere the King	
Dismiss his power he means to visit us,	
For he hath heard of our confederacy,	
And 'tis but wisdom to make strong against him.	
Therefore make haste. I must go write again	40
To other friends. And so farewell, Sir Michael.	
They exit.	
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## 「*ACT 5*¬

# Scene 1 Enter the King, Prince of Wales, Lord John of Lancaster, Sir Walter Blunt, 「and Falstaff.

	KING	
FTLN 2628	How bloodily the sun begins to peer	
FTLN 2629	Above yon bulky hill. The day looks pale	
FTLN 2630	At his distemp'rature.	
FTLN 2631	PRINCE The southern wind	
FTLN 2632	Doth play the trumpet to his purposes,	5
FTLN 2633	And by his hollow whistling in the leaves	
FTLN 2634	Foretells a tempest and a blust'ring day.	
	KING	
FTLN 2635	Then with the losers let it sympathize,	
FTLN 2636	For nothing can seem foul to those that win.	
	The trumpet sounds.	
	Enter Worcester [and Vernon.]	
FTLN 2637	How now, my Lord of Worcester? 'Tis not well	10
FTLN 2638	That you and I should meet upon such terms	
FTLN 2639	As now we meet. You have deceived our trust	
	TIS HOW WE INCOME TOU HAVE GOODIVED OUT TRUST	
FTLN 2640	And made us doff our easy robes of peace	
FTLN 2640 FTLN 2641		
	And made us doff our easy robes of peace	15
FTLN 2641	And made us doff our easy robes of peace To crush our old limbs in ungentle steel.	15
FTLN 2641 FTLN 2642	And made us doff our easy robes of peace To crush our old limbs in ungentle steel. This is not well, my lord; this is not well.	15

FTLN 2645	And move in that obedient orb again	
FTLN 2646	Where you did give a fair and natural light,	
FTLN 2647	And be no more an exhaled meteor,	20
FTLN 2648	A prodigy of fear, and a portent	
FTLN 2649	Of broachèd mischief to the unborn times?	
FTLN 2650	WORCESTER Hear me, my liege:	
FTLN 2651	For mine own part I could be well content	
FTLN 2652	To entertain the lag end of my life	25
FTLN 2653	With quiet hours. For I protest	
FTLN 2654	I have not sought the day of this dislike.	
	KING	
FTLN 2655	You have not sought it. How comes it then?	
FTLN 2656	FALSTAFF Rebellion lay in his way, and he found it.	
FTLN 2657	PRINCE Peace, chewet, peace.	30
	WORCESTER	
FTLN 2658	It pleased your Majesty to turn your looks	
FTLN 2659	Of favor from myself and all our house;	
FTLN 2660	And yet I must remember you, my lord,	
FTLN 2661	We were the first and dearest of your friends.	
FTLN 2662	For you my staff of office did I break	35
FTLN 2663	In Richard's time, and posted day and night	
FTLN 2664	To meet you on the way and kiss your hand	
FTLN 2665	When yet you were in place and in account	
FTLN 2666	Nothing so strong and fortunate as I.	
FTLN 2667	It was myself, my brother, and his son	40
FTLN 2668	That brought you home and boldly did outdare	
FTLN 2669	The dangers of the time. You swore to us,	
FTLN 2670	And you did swear that oath at Doncaster,	
FTLN 2671	That you did nothing purpose 'gainst the state,	
FTLN 2672	Nor claim no further than your new-fall'n right,	45
FTLN 2673	The seat of Gaunt, dukedom of Lancaster.	
FTLN 2674	To this we swore our aid. But in short space	
FTLN 2675	It rained down fortune show'ring on your head,	
FTLN 2676	And such a flood of greatness fell on you—	
FTLN 2677	What with our help, what with the absent king,	50
FTLN 2678	What with the injuries of a wanton time,	

FTLN 2679	The seeming sufferances that you had borne,	
FTLN 2680	And the contrarious winds that held the King	
FTLN 2681	So long in his unlucky Irish wars	
FTLN 2682	That all in England did repute him dead—	55
FTLN 2683	And from this swarm of fair advantages	
FTLN 2684	You took occasion to be quickly wooed	
FTLN 2685	To gripe the general sway into your hand,	
FTLN 2686	Forgot your oath to us at Doncaster;	
FTLN 2687	And being fed by us, you used us so	60
FTLN 2688	As that ungentle gull, the cuckoo's bird,	
FTLN 2689	Useth the sparrow—did oppress our nest,	
FTLN 2690	Grew by our feeding to so great a bulk	
FTLN 2691	That even our love durst not come near your sight	
FTLN 2692	For fear of swallowing; but with nimble wing	65
FTLN 2693	We were enforced for safety sake to fly	
FTLN 2694	Out of your sight and raise this present head,	
FTLN 2695	Whereby we stand opposèd by such means	
FTLN 2696	As you yourself have forged against yourself	
FTLN 2697	By unkind usage, dangerous countenance,	70
FTLN 2698	And violation of all faith and troth	
FTLN 2699	Sworn to us in your younger enterprise.	
	KING	
FTLN 2700	These things indeed you have articulate,	
FTLN 2701	Proclaimed at market crosses, read in churches,	
FTLN 2702	To face the garment of rebellion	75
FTLN 2703	With some fine color that may please the eye	
FTLN 2704	Of fickle changelings and poor discontents,	
FTLN 2705	Which gape and rub the elbow at the news	
FTLN 2706	Of hurlyburly innovation.	
FTLN 2707	And never yet did insurrection want	80
FTLN 2708	Such water colors to impaint his cause,	
FTLN 2709	Nor moody beggars starving for a time	
FTLN 2710	Of pellmell havoc and confusion.	
	PRINCE	
FTLN 2711	In both your armies there is many a soul	
FTLN 2712	Shall pay full dearly for this encounter	85

EEE N. 0510	If an as there is in in trial Tall wave menhaus	
FTLN 2714	If once they join in trial. Tell your nephew,	
FTLN 2714	The Prince of Wales doth join with all the world	
FTLN 2715 FTLN 2716	In praise of Henry Percy. By my hopes,	
	This present enterprise set off his head,	00
FTLN 2717	I do not think a braver gentleman,	90
FTLN 2718	More active-valiant, or more valiant-young,	
FTLN 2719	More daring or more bold, is now alive	
FTLN 2720	To grace this latter age with noble deeds.	
FTLN 2721	For my part, I may speak it to my shame,	0.5
FTLN 2722	I have a truant been to chivalry,	95
FTLN 2723	And so I hear he doth account me too.	
FTLN 2724	Yet this before my father's majesty:	
FTLN 2725	I am content that he shall take the odds	
FTLN 2726	Of his great name and estimation,	
FTLN 2727	And will, to save the blood on either side,	100
FTLN 2728	Try fortune with him in a single fight.	
	KING	
FTLN 2729	And, Prince of Wales, so dare we venture thee,	
FTLN 2730	Albeit considerations infinite	
FTLN 2731	Do make against it.—No, good Worcester, no.	
FTLN 2732	We love our people well, even those we love	105
FTLN 2733	That are misled upon your cousin's part.	
FTLN 2734	And, will they take the offer of our grace,	
FTLN 2735	Both he and they and you, yea, every man	
FTLN 2736	Shall be my friend again, and I'll be his.	
FTLN 2737	So tell your cousin, and bring me word	110
FTLN 2738	What he will do. But if he will not yield,	
FTLN 2739	Rebuke and dread correction wait on us,	
FTLN 2740	And they shall do their office. So begone.	
FTLN 2741	We will not now be troubled with reply.	
FTLN 2742	We offer fair. Take it advisedly.	115
	Worcester exits [with Vernon.]	
	PRINCE	
FTLN 2743	It will not be accepted, on my life.	
FTLN 2744	The Douglas and the Hotspur both together	
FTLN 2745	Are confident against the world in arms.	

	KING	
FTLN 2746	Hence, therefore, every leader to his charge,	
FTLN 2747	For on their answer will we set on them,	120
FTLN 2748	And God befriend us as our cause is just.	
	They exit. Prince and Falstaff remain.	
FTLN 2749	FALSTAFF Hal, if thou see me down in the battle and	
FTLN 2750	bestride me, so; 'tis a point of friendship.	
FTLN 2751	PRINCE Nothing but a colossus can do thee that friendship.	
FTLN 2752	Say thy prayers, and farewell.	125
FTLN 2753	FALSTAFF I would 'twere bedtime, Hal, and all well.	
FTLN 2754	PRINCE Why, thou owest God a death.	
FTLN 2755	FALSTAFF 'Tis not due yet. I would be loath to pay Him	
FTLN 2756	before His day. What need I be so forward with	
FTLN 2757	Him that calls not on me? Well, 'tis no matter.	130
FTLN 2758	Honor pricks me on. Yea, but how if honor prick me	
FTLN 2759	off when I come on? How then? Can honor set to a	
FTLN 2760	leg? No. Or an arm? No. Or take away the grief of a	
FTLN 2761	wound? No. Honor hath no skill in surgery, then?	
FTLN 2762	No. What is honor? A word. What is in that word	135
FTLN 2763	"honor"? What is that "honor"? Air. A trim reckoning.	
FTLN 2764	Who hath it? He that died o' Wednesday. Doth	
FTLN 2765	he feel it? No. Doth he hear it? No. 'Tis insensible,	
FTLN 2766	then? Yea, to the dead. But will fit not live with the	
FTLN 2767	living? No. Why? Detraction will not suffer it. Therefore,	140
FTLN 2768	I'll none of it. Honor is a mere scutcheon. And	
FTLN 2769	so ends my catechism.	
	He exits.	

## Scene 2 Enter Worcester and Sir Richard Vernon.

### WORCESTER

FTLN 2770 FTLN 2771 O no, my nephew must not know, Sir Richard, The liberal and kind offer of the King.

	VERNON	
FTLN 2772	'Twere best he did.	
FTLN 2773	WORCESTER Then are we all \( \sum \) undone.	
FTLN 2774	It is not possible, it cannot be	5
FTLN 2775	The King should keep his word in loving us.	
FTLN 2776	He will suspect us still and find a time	
FTLN 2777	To punish this offense in other faults.	
FTLN 2778	Suspicion all our lives shall be stuck full of	
FTLN 2779	eyes,	10
FTLN 2780	For treason is but trusted like the fox,	
FTLN 2781	Who, never so tame, so cherished and locked up,	
FTLN 2782	Will have a wild trick of his ancestors.	
FTLN 2783	Look how we can, or sad or merrily,	
FTLN 2784	Interpretation will misquote our looks,	15
FTLN 2785	And we shall feed like oxen at a stall,	
FTLN 2786	The better cherished still the nearer death.	
FTLN 2787	My nephew's trespass may be well forgot;	
FTLN 2788	It hath the excuse of youth and heat of blood,	
FTLN 2789	And an adopted name of privilege—	20
FTLN 2790	A harebrained Hotspur governed by a spleen.	
FTLN 2791	All his offenses live upon my head	
FTLN 2792	And on his father's. We did train him on,	
FTLN 2793	And his corruption being ta'en from us,	
FTLN 2794	We as the spring of all shall pay for all.	25
FTLN 2795	Therefore, good cousin, let not Harry know	
FTLN 2796	In any case the offer of the King.	
	VERNON	
FTLN 2797	Deliver what you will; I'll say 'tis so.	
	Enter 「Hotspur, Douglas, and their army.	
FTLN 2798	Here comes your cousin.	2.0
FTLN 2799	HOTSPUR, <i>to Douglas</i> My uncle is returned.	30
FTLN 2800	Deliver up my Lord of Westmoreland.—	
FTLN 2801	Uncle, what news?	
	WORCESTER	
FTLN 2802	The King will bid you battle presently.	

	DOUGLAS, \[\tau_{to}\] Hotspur\[\textsquare\]	
FTLN 2803	Defy him by the Lord of Westmoreland.	
	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 2804	Lord Douglas, go you and tell him so.	35
	DOUGLAS	
FTLN 2805	Marry, and shall, and very willingly. Douglas exits.  WORCESTER	
FTLN 2806	There is no seeming mercy in the King.	
	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 2807	Did you beg any? God forbid!	
	WORCESTER	
FTLN 2808	I told him gently of our grievances,	
FTLN 2809	Of his oath-breaking, which he mended thus	40
FTLN 2810	By now forswearing that he is forsworn.	
FTLN 2811	He calls us "rebels," "traitors," and will scourge	
FTLN 2812	With haughty arms this hateful name in us.	
	Enter Douglas.	
	DOUGLAS	
FTLN 2813	Arm, gentlemen, to arms. For I have thrown	
FTLN 2814	A brave defiance in King Henry's teeth,	45
FTLN 2815	And Westmoreland, that was engaged, did bear it,	
FTLN 2816	Which cannot choose but bring him quickly on.	
	WORCESTER	
FTLN 2817	The Prince of Wales stepped forth before the King,	
FTLN 2818	And, nephew, challenged you to single fight.	
	HOTSPUR	<b>5</b> 0
FTLN 2819	O, would the quarrel lay upon our heads,	50
FTLN 2820	And that no man might draw short breath today	
FTLN 2821	But I and Harry Monmouth! Tell me, tell me,	
FTLN 2822	How showed his tasking? Seemed it in contempt?	
	VERNON	
FTLN 2823	No, by my soul. I never in my life	<i>-</i> -
FTLN 2824	Did hear a challenge urged more modestly,	55
FTLN 2825	Unless a brother should a brother dare	
FTLN 2826	To gentle exercise and proof of arms.	

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FTLN 2827	He gave you all the duties of a man,	
FTLN 2828	Trimmed up your praises with a princely tongue,	
FTLN 2829	Spoke your deservings like a chronicle,	60
FTLN 2830	Making you ever better than his praise	
FTLN 2831	By still dispraising praise valued with you,	
FTLN 2832	And, which became him like a prince indeed,	
FTLN 2833	He made a blushing cital of himself,	
FTLN 2834	And chid his truant youth with such a grace	65
FTLN 2835	As if he mastered there a double spirit	
FTLN 2836	Of teaching and of learning instantly.	
FTLN 2837	There did he pause, but let me tell the world:	
FTLN 2838	If he outlive the envy of this day,	
FTLN 2839	England did never owe so sweet a hope	70
FTLN 2840	So much misconstrued in his wantonness.	
	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 2841	Cousin, I think thou art enamorèd	
FTLN 2842	On his follies. Never did I hear	
FTLN 2843	Of any prince so wild a liberty.	
FTLN 2844	But be he as he will, yet once ere night	75
FTLN 2845	I will embrace him with a soldier's arm	
FTLN 2846	That he shall shrink under my courtesy.—	
FTLN 2847	Arm, arm with speed, and, fellows, soldiers,	
FTLN 2848	friends,	
FTLN 2849	Better consider what you have to do	80
FTLN 2850	Than I that have not well the gift of tongue	
FTLN 2851	Can lift your blood up with persuasion.	
	Enter a Messenger.	
FTLN 2852	MESSENGER My lord, here are letters for you.	
FTLN 2853	HOTSPUR I cannot read them now.—	
FTLN 2854	O gentlemen, the time of life is short;	85
FTLN 2855	To spend that shortness basely were too long	
FTLN 2856	If life did ride upon a dial's point,	
FTLN 2857	Still ending at the arrival of an hour.	
FTLN 2858	An if we live, we live to tread on kings;	
FTLN 2859	If die, brave death, when princes die with us.	90
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203 FTLN 2860 FTLN 2861 SECOND MESSENGER FTLN 2862 **HOTSPUR** FTLN 2863 FTLN 2864 FTLN 2865 Whose temper I intend to stain FTLN 2866 FTLN 2867 In the adventure of this perilous day. FTLN 2868 FTLN 2869 FTLN 2870 FTLN 2871 FTLN 2872 FTLN 2873

Now, for our consciences, the arms are fair When the intent of bearing them is just.

## Enter another [Messenger.]

My lord, prepare. The King comes on apace.

I thank him that he cuts me from my tale, For I profess not talking. Only this: Let each man do his best. And here draw I a sword,

With the best blood that I can meet withal

Now, Esperance! Percy! And set on. 100

Sound all the lofty instruments of war, And by that music let us all embrace,

For, heaven to Earth, some of us never shall

A second time do such a courtesy.

Here they embrace. The trumpets sound. They exit.

## Scene 3

The King enters with his power, \( \screen{crosses} \) the stage and exits. Alarum to the battle. Then enter Douglas, and Sir 

BLUNT, [as King]

FTLN 2874

FTLN 2875

FTLN 2876

FTLN 2877

FTLN 2878

FTLN 2879

FTLN 2880

What is thy name that in Tthe battle thus Thou crossest me? What honor dost thou seek Upon my head?

**DOUGLAS** Know then my name is Douglas, And I do haunt thee in the battle thus

Because some tell me that thou art a king.

BLUNT, [as King] They tell thee true.

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FTLN 2881 FTLN 2882 FTLN 2883 FTLN 2884	The Lord of Stafford dear today hath bought Thy likeness, for instead of thee, King Harry, This sword hath ended him. So shall it thee, Unless thou yield thee as my prisoner.	10
FTLN 2885	BLUNT, [as King] I was not born a yielder, thou proud Scot,	
FTLN 2886	And thou shalt find a king that will revenge	
FTLN 2887	Lord Stafford's death.	
	They fight. Douglas kills Blunt.	
	Then enter Hotspur.	
	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 2888	O Douglas, hadst thou fought at Holmedon thus,	15
FTLN 2889	I never had triumphed upon a Scot.	
	DOUGLAS	
FTLN 2890	All's done, all's won; here breathless lies the King.	
FTLN 2891	HOTSPUR Where?	
FTLN 2892	DOUGLAS Here.	
	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 2893	This, Douglas? No, I know this face full well.	20
FTLN 2894	A gallant knight he was; his name was Blunt,	
FTLN 2895	Semblably furnished like the King himself.	
	DOUGLAS, addressing Blunt's corpse	
FTLN 2896	A fool go with thy soul whither it goes!	
FTLN 2897	A borrowed title hast thou bought too dear.	
FTLN 2898	Why didst thou tell me that thou wert a king?	25
	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 2899	The King hath many marching in his coats.	
	DOUGLAS	
FTLN 2900	Now, by my sword, I will kill all his coats.	
FTLN 2901	I'll murder all his wardrobe, piece by piece,	
FTLN 2902	Until I meet the King.	20
FTLN 2903	HOTSPUR Up and away!	30
FTLN 2904	Our soldiers stand full fairly for the day.	
	They exit.	

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## Alarm. Enter Falstaff alone.

FTLN 2905	FALSTAFF Though I could 'scape shot-free at London,	
FTLN 2906	I fear the shot here. Here's no scoring but upon	
FTLN 2907	the pate.—Soft, who are you? Sir Walter Blunt.	
FTLN 2908	There's honor for you. Here's no vanity. I am as hot	35
FTLN 2909	as molten lead, and as heavy too. God keep lead out	
FTLN 2910	of me; I need no more weight than mine own	
FTLN 2911	bowels. I have led my ragamuffins where they are	
FTLN 2912	peppered. There's not three of my hundred and fifty	
FTLN 2913	left alive, and they are for the town's end, to beg	40
FTLN 2914	during life. But who comes here?	

#### Enter the Prince.

	PRINCE	
FTLN 2915	What, stand'st thou idle here? Lend me thy sword.	
FTLN 2916	Many a nobleman lies stark and stiff	
FTLN 2917	Under the hoofs of vaunting enemies,	
FTLN 2918	Whose deaths are yet unrevenged. I prithee	45
FTLN 2919	Lend me thy sword.	
FTLN 2920	FALSTAFF O Hal, I prithee give me leave to breathe	
FTLN 2921	awhile. Turk Gregory never did such deeds in arms	
FTLN 2922	as I have done this day. I have paid Percy; I have	
FTLN 2923	made him sure.	50
	PRINCE	
FTLN 2924	He is indeed, and living to kill thee.	
FTLN 2925	I prithee, lend me thy sword.	
FTLN 2926	FALSTAFF Nay, before God, Hal, if Percy be alive, thou	
FTLN 2927	gett'st not my sword; but take my pistol, if thou	
FTLN 2928	wilt.	55

### PRINCE

FTLN 2929

FTLN 2930

FTLN 2931

Give it me. What, is it in the case?

FALSTAFF Ay, Hal, 'tis hot, 'tis hot. There's that will sack a city.

The Prince draws it out, and finds it to be a bottle of sack.

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	PRINCE	
FTLN 2932	What, is it a time to jest and dally now?	
	He throws the bottle at him and exits.	
FTLN 2933	FALSTAFF Well, if Percy be alive, I'll pierce him. If he do	60
FTLN 2934	come in my way, so; if he do not, if I come in his	00
FTLN 2935	willingly, let him make a carbonado of me. I like not	
FTLN 2936	such grinning honor as Sir Walter hath. Give me	
FTLN 2937	life, which, if I can save, so: if not, honor comes	
FTLN 2938	unlooked for, and there's an end.	65
1121(2)30	The exits.	0.
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	「Scene 47	
	Alarm, excursions. Enter the King, the Prince, Lord John	
	of Lancaster, \[ \text{and the} \] Earl of Westmoreland.	
	of Euneuster, and the Euri of Westmoretand.	
	KING	
FTLN 2939	I prithee, Harry, withdraw thyself. Thou bleedest	
FTLN 2940	too much.	
FTLN 2941	Lord John of Lancaster, go you with him.	
	LANCASTER	
FTLN 2942	Not I, my lord, unless I did bleed too.	
	PRINCE	
FTLN 2943	I beseech your Majesty, make up,	5
FTLN 2944	Lest your retirement do amaze your friends.	
	KING	
FTLN 2945	I will do so.—My Lord of Westmoreland,	
FTLN 2946	Lead him to his tent.	
	WESTMORELAND	
FTLN 2947	Come, my lord, I'll lead you to your tent.	
	PRINCE	
FTLN 2948	Lead me, my lord? I do not need your help,	10
FTLN 2949	And God forbid a shallow scratch should drive	
FTLN 2950	The Prince of Wales from such a field as this,	
FTLN 2951	Where stained nobility lies trodden on,	
FTLN 2952	And rebels' arms triumph in massacres.	

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LANCASTER		
	he too long. Come, cousin Westm	oreland.
	this way lies. For God's sake, con	
	Lancaster and Wes	
PRINCE		
955 By God, 1	thou hast deceived me, Lancaster.	
956 I did not 1	think thee lord of such a spirit.	
957 Before, I	loved thee as a brother, John,	
	I do respect thee as my soul.	
KING		
959 I saw him	hold Lord Percy at the point	
960 With lust	ier maintenance than I did look fo	or
961 Of such a	n ungrown warrior.	
PRINCE		
O, this bo	by lends mettle to us all.	He exits.
DOUGLAS	「Enter Douglas. ¬	
	king! They grow like Hydra's hea	de
	Douglas, fatal to all those	us.—
	r those colors on them. What art t	hou
	nterfeit'st the person of a king?	iiou
KING	nerrow so the person of a milg.	
	himself, who, Douglas, grieves a	it heart.
_	of his shadows thou hast met	,
· · ·	he very king. I have two boys	
	ey and thyself about the field,	
	ng thou fall'st on me so luckily,	
I will assa	ay thee. And defend thyself.	
DOUGLAS		
I fear tho	u art another counterfeit,	
And yet,	in faith, thou bearest thee like a k	ing.
But mine	I am sure thou art, whoe'er thou	be,
And thus	I win thee.	

They fight. The King being in danger, enter Prince of Wales.

	PRINCE	
FTLN 2977	Hold up thy head, vile Scot, or thou art like	
FTLN 2978	Never to hold it up again. The spirits	40
FTLN 2979	Of valiant Shirley, Stafford, Blunt are in my arms.	
FTLN 2980	It is the Prince of Wales that threatens thee,	
FTLN 2981	Who never promiseth but he means to pay.	
	They fight. Douglas flieth.	
FTLN 2982	<i>To King.</i> Cheerly, my lord. How fares your Grace?	
FTLN 2983	Sir Nicholas Gawsey hath for succor sent,	45
FTLN 2984	And so hath Clifton. I'll to Clifton straight.	
FTLN 2985	KING Stay and breathe awhile.	
FTLN 2986	Thou hast redeemed thy lost opinion	
FTLN 2987	And showed thou mak'st some tender of my life	
FTLN 2988	In this fair rescue thou hast brought to me.	50
	PRINCE	
FTLN 2989	O God, they did me too much injury	
FTLN 2990	That ever said I hearkened for your death.	
FTLN 2991	If it were so, I might have let alone	
FTLN 2992	The insulting hand of Douglas over you,	
FTLN 2993	Which would have been as speedy in your end	55
FTLN 2994	As all the poisonous potions in the world,	
FTLN 2995	And saved the treacherous labor of your son.	
	KING	
FTLN 2996	Make up to Clifton. I'll to Sir Nicholas Gawsey.	
	King exits.	
	Enter Hotspur.	
	Emei Hoispur.	
	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 2997	If I mistake not, thou art Harry Monmouth.	
	PRINCE	
FTLN 2998	Thou speak'st as if I would deny my name.	60
	HOTSPUR	
FTLN 2999	My name is Harry Percy.	
FTLN 3000	PRINCE Why then I see	
FTLN 3001	A very valiant rebel of the name.	
FTLN 3002	I am the Prince of Wales; and think not, Percy,	

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FTLN 3003	To share with me	in glory any more.	
TLN 3003		ot their motion in one sphe	ore
TLN 3005	-	and brook a double reign	л.,
TLN 3006	•	nd the Prince of Wales.	
LI ( 3000	HOTSPUR	id the Timee of Wales.	
TLN 3007	Nor shall it Ha	rry, for the hour is come	
LN 3008		us, and would to God	
TLN 3009		were now as great as mir	ne
	PRINCE	word now as grow as min	
ΓLN 3010		r ere I part from thee,	
TLN 3011	_	ng honors on thy crest	
ΓLN 3012		a garland for my head.	
	HOTSPUR	S ,	
LN 3013	I can no longer br	ook thy vanities.	They fight.
		Enter Falstaff.	
TLN 3014	FALSTAFF Well said	d, Hal! To it, Hal! Nay, yo	ou shall find
ΓLN 3015		ere, I can tell you.	
	Enter Douglas.	He fighteth with Falstaff,	「who falls
		ere dead. 「Douglas exits. <sup>™</sup>	•
	, and the second	killeth Percy.	
	HOTSPUR		
TLN 3016	O Harry, thou has	t robbed me of my youth.	
LN 3017	I better brook the		
LN 3018	Than those proud	titles thou hast won of me	2.
LN 3019	-	houghts worse than thy sv	
LN 3020	flesh.	-	-
LN 3021	But thoughts, the	slaves of life, and life, tim	ne's fool,
N 3022		es survey of all the world	
LN 3023	•	O, I could prophesy,	
LN 3024	-	and cold hand of death	
LN 3025	Lies on my tongue	e. No, Percy, thou art dust	
LN 3026	And food for—		「He dies. ॊ
	PRINCE		

For worms, brave Percy. Fare thee well, great heart.

FTLN 3027

FTLN 3028	Ill-weaved ambition, how much art thou shrunk!	90
FTLN 3029	When that this body did contain a spirit,	
FTLN 3030	A kingdom for it was too small a bound,	
FTLN 3031	But now two paces of the vilest earth	
FTLN 3032	Is room enough. This earth that bears thee dead	
FTLN 3033	Bears not alive so stout a gentleman.	95
FTLN 3034	If thou wert sensible of courtesy,	
FTLN 3035	I should not make so dear a show of zeal.	
FTLN 3036	But let my favors hide thy mangled face;	
	THe covers Hotspur's face.	
FTLN 3037	And even in thy behalf I'll thank myself	
FTLN 3038	For doing these fair rites of tenderness.	100
FTLN 3039	Adieu, and take thy praise with thee to heaven.	
FTLN 3040	Thy ignominy sleep with thee in the grave,	
FTLN 3041	But not remembered in thy epitaph.	
	He spieth Falstaff on the ground.	
FTLN 3042	What, old acquaintance, could not all this flesh	
FTLN 3043	Keep in a little life? Poor Jack, farewell.	105
FTLN 3044	I could have better spared a better man.	
FTLN 3045	O, I should have a heavy miss of thee	
FTLN 3046	If I were much in love with vanity.	
FTLN 3047	Death hath not struck so fat a deer today,	
FTLN 3048	Though many dearer in this bloody fray.	110
FTLN 3049	Emboweled will I see thee by and by;	
FTLN 3050	Till then in blood by noble Percy lie. He exits.	
	Falstaff riseth up.	
FTLN 3051	FALSTAFF Emboweled? If thou embowel me today, I'll	
FTLN 3052	give you leave to powder me and eat me too	
FTLN 3053	tomorrow. 'Sblood, 'twas time to counterfeit, or	115
FTLN 3054	that hot termagant Scot had paid me scot and lot	
FTLN 3055	too. Counterfeit? I lie. I am no counterfeit. To die is	
FTLN 3056	to be a counterfeit, for he is but the counterfeit of a	
FTLN 3057	man who hath not the life of a man; but to counterfeit	
FTLN 3058	dying when a man thereby liveth is to be no	120
FTLN 3059	counterfeit, but the true and perfect image of life	
FTLN 3060	indeed. The better part of valor is discretion, in the	

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FTLN 3061 FTLN 3062 FTLN 3063 FTLN 3064 FTLN 3065 FTLN 3066 FTLN 3067 FTLN 3068	which better part I have saved my life. Zounds, I am afraid of this gunpowder Percy, though he be dead. How if he should counterfeit too, and rise? By my faith, I am afraid he would prove the better counterfeit. Therefore I'll make him sure, yea, and I'll swear I killed him. Why may not he rise as well as I? Nothing confutes me but eyes, and nobody sees me. Therefore, sirrah, <code>stabbing him</code> with a new wound	125 130
FTLN 3069	in your thigh, come you along with me.	
	He takes up Hotspur on his back.	
	Enter Prince [and] John of Lancaster.	
	PRINCE	
FTLN 3070	Come, brother John. Full bravely hast thou fleshed	
FTLN 3071	Thy maiden sword.	
FTLN 3072	LANCASTER But soft, whom have we here?	
FTLN 3073	Did you not tell me this fat man was dead?	135
FTLN 3074	PRINCE I did; I saw him dead,	
FTLN 3075	Breathless and bleeding on the ground.—Art thou	
FTLN 3076	alive?	
FTLN 3077	Or is it fantasy that plays upon our eyesight?	1.40
FTLN 3078	I prithee, speak. We will not trust our eyes	140
FTLN 3079	Without our ears. Thou art not what thou seem'st.	
FTLN 3080	FALSTAFF No, that's certain. I am not a double man.	
FTLN 3081	But if I be not Jack Falstaff, then am I a jack. There	
FTLN 3082 FTLN 3083	is Percy. If your father will do me any honor, so; if not, let him kill the next Percy himself. I look to be	145
FTLN 3083	either earl or duke, I can assure you.	143
1 1LN 3004	PRINCE	
FTLN 3085	Why, Percy I killed myself, and saw thee dead.	
FTLN 3086	FALSTAFF Didst thou? Lord, Lord, how this world is	
FTLN 3087	given to lying. I grant you, I was down and out of	
FTLN 3088	breath, and so was he, but we rose both at an instant	150
FTLN 3089	and fought a long hour by Shrewsbury clock. If I	100
FTLN 3090	may be believed, so; if not, let them that should	
FTLN 3091	reward valor bear the sin upon their own heads. I'll	
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FTLN 3092	take it upon my death, I gave him this wound in	
FTLN 3093	the thigh. If the man were alive and would deny	
FTLN 3094	it, zounds, I would make him eat a piece of my	
FTLN 3095	sword.	
ETT. 11 200 (	LANCASTER This is the atrea post tole that area I heard	
FTLN 3096	This is the strangest tale that ever I heard.	
ETI N. 2007	PRINCE This is the strongest fellow, brother John	
FTLN 3097	This is the strangest fellow, brother John.—	
FTLN 3098	Come bring your luggage nobly on your back.	
FTLN 3099	For my part, if a lie may do thee grace,	
FTLN 3100	I'll gild it with the happiest terms I have.  A retreat is sounded.	
ETI N 2101		
FTLN 3101	The trumpet sounds retreat; the day is Fours.	
FTLN 3102	Come, brother, let us to the highest of the field	
FTLN 3103	To see what friends are living, who are dead.	
FTLN 3104	They exit.  FALSTAFF I'll follow, as they say, for reward. He that	
FTLN 3104 FTLN 3105	FALSTAFF I'll follow, as they say, for reward. He that rewards me, God reward him. If I do grow great,	
FTLN 3105 FTLN 3106	I'll grow less, for I'll purge and leave sack and live	
FTLN 3100 FTLN 3107	cleanly as a nobleman should do.	
TILN 3107	He exits carrying Hotspur's body.	
	The exits "currying Hoispur's body."	
	Scene 5	
	The trumpets sound. Enter the King, Prince of Wales,	
	Lord John of Lancaster, Earl of Westmoreland, with	
	Worcester and Vernon prisoners, [and Soldiers.]	
	KING	
FTLN 3108	Thus ever did rebellion find rebuke.—	
FTLN 3109	Ill-spirited Worcester, did not we send grace,	
FTLN 3110	Pardon, and terms of love to all of you?	
	And wouldst thou turn our offers contrary,	
FTLN 3111	•	
FTLN 3111 FTLN 3112	Misuse the tenor of thy kinsman's trust?	
	Misuse the tenor of thy kinsman's trust? Three knights upon our party slain today,	

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Had been alive this hour	
If, like a Christian, thou hadst truly borne	
Betwixt our armies true intelligence.	10
WORCESTER	
What I have done my safety urged me to.	
And I embrace this fortune patiently,	
Since not to be avoided it falls on me.	
KING	
Bear Worcester to the death, and Vernon too.	
Other offenders we will pause upon.	15
「Worcester and Vernon exit, under guard. ]	
How goes the field?	
PRINCE	
The noble Scot, Lord Douglas, when he saw	
The fortune of the day quite turned from him,	
The noble Percy slain, and all his men	
Upon the foot of fear, fled with the rest,	20
And, falling from a hill, he was so bruised	
That the pursuers took him. At my tent	
The Douglas is, and I beseech your Grace	
I may dispose of him.	
KING With all my heart.	25
PRINCE	
Then, brother John of Lancaster, to you	
This honorable bounty shall belong.	
Go to the Douglas and deliver him	
Up to his pleasure, ransomless and free.	
His valors shown upon our crests today	30
Have taught us how to cherish such high deeds,	
Even in the bosom of our adversaries.	
LANCASTER	
I thank your Grace for this high courtesy,	
Which I shall give away immediately.	
KING	
Then this remains, that we divide our power.	35
You, son John, and my cousin Westmoreland,	
	If, like a Christian, thou hadst truly borne Betwixt our armies true intelligence.  WORCESTER  What I have done my safety urged me to. And I embrace this fortune patiently, Since not to be avoided it falls on me.  KING  Bear Worcester to the death, and Vernon too. Other offenders we will pause upon.  **Worcester and Vernon exit, under guard.** How goes the field?  PRINCE  The noble Scot, Lord Douglas, when he saw The fortune of the day quite turned from him, The noble Percy slain, and all his men Upon the foot of fear, fled with the rest, And, falling from a hill, he was so bruised That the pursuers took him. At my tent The Douglas is, and I beseech your Grace I may dispose of him.  KING  With all my heart.  PRINCE  Then, brother John of Lancaster, to you This honorable bounty shall belong. Go to the Douglas and deliver him Up to his pleasure, ransomless and free. His valors shown upon our crests today Have taught us how to cherish such high deeds, Even in the bosom of our adversaries.  LANCASTER  I thank your Grace for this high courtesy, Which I shall give away immediately.  KING  Then this remains, that we divide our power.

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FTLN 3144 FTLN 3145 FTLN 3146 FTLN 3147 FTLN 3148 FTLN 3149 FTLN 3150	speed To meet N Who, as w Myself and To fight w	Tork shall bend you with your dearest orthumberland and the prelate Scroope hear, are busily in arms. If you, son Harry, will towards Wales ith Glendower and the Earl of March in this land shall lose his sway,	p,	40
FTLN 3151	Meeting th	e check of such another day.		15
FTLN 3152 FTLN 3153		this business so fair is done, leave till all our own be won.	They exit.	45