Act 2 Questions

Directions: Answer the following questions in complete sentences and on a separate sheet of paper. Make sure you label this assignment clearly.

1. In what ways does Kate attack Bianca? How does Bianca respond? What does this tell us about the characters?

2. Do you think Kate and Petruchio enjoy their first meeting? Why or why not?

3. What evidence can you give to support the view that Kate and Petruchio are well matched, even though they spar verbally and appear to be hostile to one another when they first meet?

4. Is Petruchio attracted to Kate, or is he merely interested in her because she is wealthy?

5. When he gives Baptista an account of Kate’s behavior, Petruchio is not entirely honest. Analyze the speech that begins, “Be patient, gentlemen, I choose her for myself,” and show how Petruchio is both clever and ironic in what he says.

Homework: Due Friday Act 2 questions (this worksheet) as well as Vocabulary #1.

Note to students: Please write me a note with anything you want or need and I will get back to you. Let me know if this is too fast? Too slow? Are you understanding the play on your own? I’m sorry to be out so much. I am going to the doctor again today to see what they can do to get me back to work. I miss you all.