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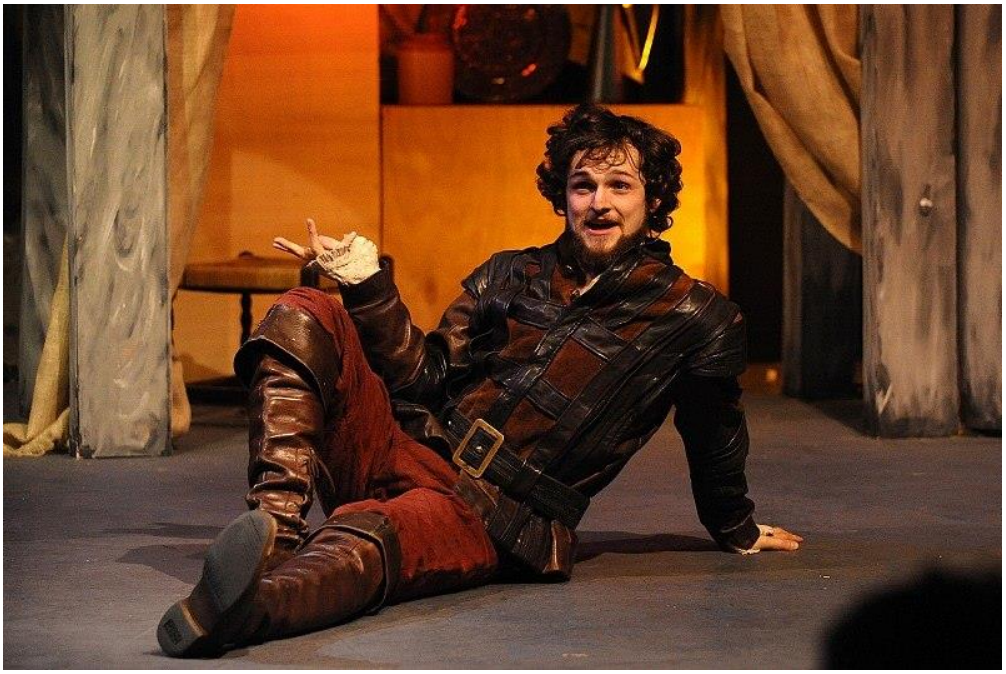
My favourite speech from Shakespeare would have to be "Let us sit upon the ground and tell sad tales of the death of kings " speech from *Richard II* Act 3, Scene 2, available here: https://www.sparknotes.com/nofear/shakespeare/richardii/page_126/.

I love this speech because I think it is the moment in which we see Richard the man, as opposed to Richard the king. The realization is that we are all human, no matter what titles we put on ourselves.

I think it has great potential for a journey of emotion and, in this speech, we see a life-long belief of being the anointed king (and all of the benefits that come with that title) torn down by the reality of the situation he is facing with Henry Bolingbroke. It is one of those moments when Shakespeare shows us what it means to be human, warts and all!



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