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The Merchant of Venice is probably the most controversial of all Shakespeare's plays. It is also one of the least understood. Is it a comedy or a tragedy? What is the meaning behind the test of the caskets? Who is the real villain of the trial scene? Is Shylock simply vicious and venomous, or is he more sinned against than sinning? Can the play be described as anti-semitic? What exactly is the quality of mercy? Is Portia one of the great Christian heroines of western literature? And what of the comedy of the rings with which Shakespeare ends the play? These questions and many others are answered in this critical edition of one of the Bard's liveliest plays.

If you lived anywhere else in the country, you would probably send your child to your neighborhood high school. In New York City, it's much more complicated than that. But what parent has time to research hundreds of school options? To help you choose a high school that is just right for your child, Clara Hemphill and her colleagues at Insideschools visited nearly all of the city's 400 high schools. This essential revision of the critically acclaimed parents' guide features new school profiles; invaluable advice to help parents and students through the stressful admissions process; and new sections on alternative schools,

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vocational schools, and schools for students learning English. Featuring interviews with teachers, parents, and students, this guide uncovers the “inside scoop” about school atmosphere, homework, student stress, competition among students, the quality of teachers, gender issues, the condition of the building, class size, and much more. “For [this] third edition I looked for schools that spark students’ curiosity, broaden their horizons, and help them develop into thoughtful, caring adults.” —Clara Hemphill Praise for Clara Hemphill’s Parents’ Guides! New York Daily News... “Brisk, thoughtful profiles of topnotch, intriguing schools.” Big Apple Parent... “Hemphill has done for schools what Zagat’s did for restaurants.” New York Magazine... “Thoughtful, well-researched...required reading.” The New York Times... “A bible for urban parents.”

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Reflecting changes brought about by Mayor Michael Bloomberg’s reorganization of New York City’s public school system, this Third Edition features reviews of 74 of the city’s best public middle schools. Providing everything parents need to know in choosing a middle school that is just right for their child, New York City’s Best Public Middle Schools: A Parents’ Guide features interviews with teachers, parents, and students to uncover the “inside scoop” on schools—including

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atmosphere, homework, student stress, competition among students, the quality of teachers, gender issues, the condition of the building, and more. “This book can save your life if you are trying to navigate the confusing world of middle school choice.” —Susan Brenna, parent “An incredible resource.” —Nancy Arno, parent “The most definitive guidebooks to the city schools.” —The New York Times “Required reading.” —New York magazine

What does it mean to teach Shakespeare with purpose? It means freeing teachers from the notion that teaching Shakespeare means teaching everything, or teaching "Western Civilisation†? and universal themes. Instead, this invigorating new book equips teachers to enable student-centred discovery of these complex texts. Because Shakespeare's plays are excellent vehicles for many topics -history, socio-cultural norms and mores, vocabulary, rhetoric, literary tropes and terminology, performance history, performance strategies - it is tempting to teach his plays as though they are good for teaching everything. This lens-free approach, however, often centres the classroom on the teacher as the expert and renders Shakespeare's plays as fixed, determined, and dead. Teaching Shakespeare with Purpose shows teachers how to approach Shakespeare's works as vehicles for collaborative exploration, to develop intentional frames for discovery, and to release the texts from over-determined

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interpretations. In other words, this book presents how to teach Shakespeare's plays as living, breathing, and evolving texts.

A weekly review of politics, literature, theology, and art.

The basic history of the Shakespearean editorial tradition is familiar and well-established. For nearly three centuries, men - most of them white and financially privileged - ensconced themselves in private and hard-to-access libraries, hammering out 'their' versions of Shakespeare's text. They produced enormous, learned tomes: monuments to their author's greatness and their own reputations. What if this is not the whole story? A bold, revisionist and alternative version of Shakespearean editorial history, this book recovers the lives and labours of almost seventy women editors. It challenges the received wisdom that, when it came to Shakespeare, the editorial profession was entirely male-dominated until the late twentieth century. In doing so, it demonstrates that taking these women's work seriously can transform our understanding of the history of editing, of the nature of editing as an enterprise, and of how we read Shakespeare in history. Teaching Reading Shakespeare is warmly and clearly communicated, and gives ownership of ideas and activities to teachers by open and explicit discussion. John Haddon creates a strong sense of community with teachers, raising many significant and difficult issues, and performing a vital and timely service in doing

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so. - Simon Thomson, Globe Education, Shakespeare's Globe John Haddon offers creative, systematic and challenging approaches which don't bypass the text but engage children with it. He analyses difficulty rather than ignoring it, marrying his own academic understanding with real sensitivity to the pupils' reactions, and providing practical solutions. - Trevor Wright, Senior Lecturer in Secondary English, University of Worcester, and author of 'How to be a Brilliant English Teacher', also by Routledge. Teaching Reading Shakespeare is for all training and practising secondary teachers who want to help their classes overcome the very real difficulties they experience when they have to 'do' Shakespeare. Providing a practical and critical discussion of the ways in which Shakespeare's plays present problems to the young reader, the book considers how these difficulties might be overcome. It provides guidance on: confronting language difficulties, including 'old words', meaning, grammar, rhetoric and allusion; reading the plays as scripts for performance at Key Stage 3 and beyond; using conversation analysis in helping to read and teach Shakespeare; reading the plays in contextual, interpretive and linguistic frameworks required by examinations at GCSE and A Level. At once practical and principled, analytical and anecdotal, drawing on a wide range of critical reading and many examples of classroom encounters between Shakespeare and young readers, Teaching

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Reading Shakespeare encourages teachers to develop a more informed, reflective and exploratory approach to Shakespeare in schools.

Demystifying and contextualising Shakespeare for the twenty-first century, this book offers both an introduction to the subject for beginners as well as an invaluable resource for more experienced Shakespeareans. In this friendly, structured guide, Robert Shaughnessy: introduces Shakespeare's life and works in context, providing crucial historical background looks at each of Shakespeare's plays in turn, considering issues of historical context, contemporary criticism and performance history provides detailed discussion of twentieth-century Shakespearean criticism, exploring the theories, debates and discoveries that shape our understanding of Shakespeare today looks at contemporary performances of Shakespeare on stage and screen provides further critical reading by play outlines detailed chronologies of Shakespeare's life and works and also of twentieth-century criticism The companion website at [www.routledge.com/textbooks/shaughnessy](http://www.routledge.com/textbooks/shaughnessy) contains student-focused materials and resources, including an interactive timeline and annotated weblinks. Information literacy and library instruction are at the heart of the academic library's mission. But how do you bring that instruction to an increasingly diverse student body and an increasingly varied spectrum of majors? In this updated, expanded new second edition,

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through active performance, and reflects the experience, wisdom, and wit of real classroom teachers in schools and colleges throughout the United States. In this book, you'll find the following: Clearly written essays by leading scholars to refresh teachers and challenge older students Effective and accessible techniques for teaching Shakespeare through performance and engaging students in Shakespeare's language and plays Day-by-day teaching strategies for Twelfth Night and Othello that successfully and energetically immerse students of every grade and skill level in the language and in the plays themselves -- created, taught, and written by real teachers

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