

INSTRUCTIONS: Find at least 2 quotations from both *Hamlet* and *Rosencrantz and Guildenstern are Dead* for each of the following subtopics listed below (total of four for each section). You must provide an explanation for each quotation in sentence form.

Type your responses on paper as I will be collecting your work. Responses are due Tuesday, March 12th. A discussion of the play will follow.

Absurdity

- Characters in irrational situations
- What is absurdity?
- What to do about it (concede or defy)?

Certainty

- The need to know
- Who am I?
- What am I doing here?

Trust

- The need to trust
- Who to trust?

Truth

- The need to know the truth
- What is the truth?

Friendship

- The need for friendship

Change

- Consistency and inconsistency
- Tradition and progress

Death

- What is death?
- What is it to die?