

## 12. Julius Caesar

### Worksheet

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#### A. What is funny about the following? Explain the play on words.

- a. A cardboard belt is just a waist of paper.
  
- b. The thief who stole a calendar got twelve months.
  
- c. When cannibals ate the holy man, they got a taste of religion.
  
- d. You're right that I don't like soap, but you don't have to rub it in my face!
  
- e. Mr Ali, who makes bicycle wheels, is also a spokesperson.
  
- f. She bent over in the kitchen to pick up a sieve and strained herself.
  
- g. Two silkworms had a race. They ended up in a tie.
  
- h. Time flies like an arrow. Fruit flies like bananas.

**B. Find out what these old-fashioned words mean. Look in a dictionary, and also find the modern equivalent of each (if there is one).**

a. Hence

b. Art

c. Thou

d. Thy

e. Nay

f. mean'st

g. Wherefore

h. Yea

i. About

j. Exeunt

**C. Try to paraphrase the first part of the play (about 30 lines). First read a sentence and make sure you understand the sense of it. Then, keeping the language simple, write it out in plain English. Use modern English, not old-fashioned words or phrases.**