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form as well as addressing the key problem at the play's core: Hamlet's inaction. It also looks at recent critical approaches to the play and its theatre history, including the recent David Tennant / RSC Hamlet on both stage and TV screen. Shakespeare's Theatre Routledge Lord Byron (1788-1824) was a poet and satirist, as famous in his time for his love affairs and questionable morals as he was for his poetry. Looking beyond the

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scandal, Byron leaves us a body of continue to not only fill work that proved crucial to the development of English poetry and provides a fascinating counterpoint to other writings of the Romantic period. This guide to Byron's sometimes daunting, often extraordinary work offers: an accessible introduction to the contexts and many interpretations Shakespearean Adaptations of Byron 's texts, from publication to the present an introduction to key critical texts and perspectives on Byron 's life and work, situated in a broader critical history cross-references between sections of the guide, in order to suggest links between texts, contexts and criticism suggestions for further reading. Part of the Routledge Guides to Literature series, this volume is essential reading for all those beginning detailed study of Byron and seeking not only a guide to his works but also a way through the wealth of contextual and critical material that surrounds them.

A Routledge Study Guide Routledge Four hundred years after William Shakespeare's death, his works

playhouses around the world, but also be adapted in various forms for consumption in popular culture, including in film, television, comics and graphic novels, and digital media. Drawing on theories of play and adaptation, Playfulness in demonstrates how the practices of Shakespearean adaptations are frequently products of playful, and sometimes irreverent, engagements that allow new 'Shakespeares' to emerge, revealing Shakespeare's ongoing impact in popular culture. Significantly, this collection explores the role of play in the construction of meaning in Shakespearean adaptations—adaptations of both the works of Shakespeare, and of Shakespeare the man—and contributes to the growing scholarly interest in playfulness both past and present. The chapters in Playfulness in Shakespearean Adaptations engage with the diverse ways that play is used in Shakespearean adaptations on stage, screen, and

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page, examining how these adaptations draw out existing humour in Shakespeare's works, the ways that play is used as a pedagogical aid to help explain complex language, themes, and emotions found in Shakespeare's works, and more generally how play and playfulness can make Shakespeare 'relatable,' 'relevant,' and entertaining for successive generations of audiences and readers. Shakespeare, the Bible, and the Form of the Book Routledge Why do Shakespeare and the English Bible seem to have an inherent relationship with each other? How have these two monumental traditions in the history of the book functioned as mutually reinforcing sources of cultural authority? How do material books and related reading practices serve as specific sites of intersection between these two textual

traditions? This collection makes a significant intervention in our understanding of Shakespeare, the Bible, and the role of textual materiality in the construction of cultural authority. Departing from conventional source study, it questions the often naturalized links between the Shakespearean and biblical corpora, examining instead the historically contingent ways these links have been forged. The volume brings together leading scholars in Shakespeare, book history, and the Bible as literature, whose essays converge on the question of Scripture as source versus Scripture as process-whether that scripture is biblical

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or Shakespearean—and in readers around the world. turn explore themes such as cultural authority, pedagogy, secularism, textual scholarship, and the materiality of texts. Covering an historical span from Shakespeare's post-Reformation era to present-day Northern Ireland, the volume uncovers how Shakespeare and the Bible's intertwined histories illuminate the enduring tensions between materiality and transcendence in the history of the book.

Student's Guide to Shakespeare Routledge Ian McEwan is one of Britain's most inventive and important contemporary writers. Also adapted as a film, his novel Enduring Love (1997) is a tale of obsession that has both troubled and enthralled

Renowned author Peter Childs explores the intricacies of this haunting novel to offer; an accessible introduction to the text and contexts of Enduring Love a critical history, surveying the many interpretations of the text from publication to the present a selection of new and reprinted critical essays on Enduring Love, by Kiernan Ryan, Sean Matthews. Martin Randall. Paul Edwards, Rhiannon Davies and Peter Childs. providing a range of perspectives on the novel and extending the coverage of key critical approaches identified in the survey section cross-references between sections of the guide, in order to suggest links between texts. contexts and criticism suggestions for further reading. Part of the Routledge Guides to

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Literature series, this volume accessible introduction to is essential reading for all the text and contexts of those beginning detailed Nights at the Circus a study of Enduring Love and critical history, surveying the seeking not only a guide to the novel, but a way through text from publication to the the wealth of contextual and present a selection of new critical material that critical essays on the Night surrounds it.

The Routledge Handbook of Shakespeare and **Memory** Routledge A highly original and influential work of modern British literature, Angela Carter's Nights at the Circus combines a fantastically creative plot with a strong political undertone. The result is an emotive and provocative novel, which has attracted much critical attention from a range of perspectives including poststructuralism, gender studies, postmodernism and psychoanalysis. This guide to Angela Carter's complex novel, presents: an

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material that surounds the text. This indispensable quide presents: extensive introductory comment on the contexts and many interpretations of the text, from publication to present annotated extracts from key contextual documents. reviews, critical works and the text itself crossreferences between documents and sections of the guide, in order to suggest links between texts, contexts and criticism suggestions for further reading. Part of the Routledge Gudies to Literature series, this volume is essential reading for all those beginning detailed study of Swift's controversial novel. Hamlet: Language and Writing Routledge Edith Wharton's The House of Mirth (1905) is a sharp and satirical, but also sensitive and tragic analysis of a young, single woman trying to

find her place in a materialistic and unforgiving society. The House of Mirth offers a fascinating insight into the culture of the time and, as suggested by the success of recent film adaptations, it is also an enduring tale of love, ambition and social pressures still relevant today. Including a selection of illustrations from the original magazine publication, which offers a unique insight to what the contemporary reader would have seen, this volume also provides: an accessible introduction to the text and contexts of The House of Mirth a critical history, surveying the many interpretations of the text from publication to the present a selection of new critical essays on the The House of Mirth, by Edie Thornton, Katherine Joslin, Janet Beer, Elizabeth Nolan, Kathy Fedorko and Pamela Knights, providing a range of perspectives on the novel and extending the coverage of key critical approaches identified in the survey section cross-

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Japan, Russia, India, Pakistan, Singapore, Taiwan and mainland China. The adaptations of Kozintsev and Kurosawa: Bollywood adaptations of Shakespeare's plays; different Shakespearean dramas and how they are interpreted, adapted and represented for the local Pakistani audience: the Peking-opera adaptation of Hamlet ; Féng Xi?og?ng's The Banquet as an adaptation of Hamlet; the ideology of the film, Shakespeare Wallah. Asian adaptations of Hamlet will be at the heart of this volume. Hamlet is also analyzed in light of Oedipus and the Sphinx. Shakespeare is also considered as a historicist and in terms of what influence he has on Chinese writers and historical television. Lear is Here and

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Cleopatra and Her Fools, two adapted Shakespearean plays on the contemporary Taiwanese stage, are also discussed. This collection also examines in Shakespeare the patriarchal prerogative and notion of violence; carnival and space in the comedies; the exotic and strange; and ecology. The book is rich, ranging and innovative and will contribute to Shakespeare studies, Shakespeare and media and film, Shakespeare and Asia and global Shakespeare. A Routledge Study Guide Routledge As both a politically engaged and stylistically versatile poet, W.H. Auden is one of the most influential writers of the twentieth century. His work is not only widely studied and read, but has

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Charles Dickens's A Tale of Two Cities Routledge The Routledge Handbook of Shakespeare and Global Appropriation brings together a variety of different voices to examine the ways that Shakespeare has been adapted and appropriated onto stage, screen, page, and a variety of digital formats. The thirty-nine chapters address topics such as trans- and intermedia performances; Shakespearean utopias and dystopias; the ethics of appropriation; and Shakespeare and global justice as guidance on how to approach the teaching of these topics.

This collection brings into dialogue three very contemporary and relevant areas: the work of women and minority scholars; scholarship from developing countries; and innovative media renderings of Shakespeare. Each essay is clearly and accessibly written, but also draws on cutting edge research and theory. It includes two alternative table of contents, offering different pathways through the book – one regional, the other by medium - which open the book up to both teaching and research. Offering an overview and history of Shakespearean appropriations, as well as discussing contemporary issues and debates in the field, this book is the ultimate guide to this

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vibrant topic. It will be of use to anyone researching or studying Shakespeare, adaptation, and global appropriation. A Routledge Study Guide and Sourcebook Routledge Reviews of the First Edition ...valuable and enjoyable reading for all studying Shakespeare's plays.' Following in the patternestablished by John Russell Brown for the excellent series (Theatre and Production Studies), he provides first an account of Shakespeare's company, then a study of three individual plays Twelfth Night, Hamlet and Macbeth as performed by the company. Peter Thomson writes in a crisp, sharp, enlivening style.' TLS "...the best analysis yet of Elizabethan acting practices, excavated form the texts themselves rather than reconstructed on basis

of one monolithic theory, and an essay on Hamlet that is a model of Critical intelligence and theatrical invention.' Yearbook of English Studies `Synthesizes the important facts and summarizes projects with a vigorous prose style, and expertly applies his experience in both practical drama and academic teaching to his discussion.' Review of **English Studies** Playfulness in <u>Shakespearean</u> **Adaptations** Manchester **University Press** Demystifying and contextualising Shakespeare for the twentyfirst 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:

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introduces Shakespeare's life and works in context, providing crucial historical background looks at each of William Shakespeare's Shakespeare's plays in turn, considering issues of historical context. contemporary criticism and performance history provides detailed discussion analysis of a young, single of twentieth-century Shakespearean criticism, exploring the theories. debates and discoveries that shape our understanding of Shakespeare today looks at suggested by the success contemporary performances of recent film adaptations, it 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- volume is essential reading century criticism The companion website at www. detailed study of The routledge.com/textbooks/sh House of Mirth and seeking aughnessy contains student-not only a guide to the focused materials and

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the wealth of contextual and onwards. This volume offers critical material that surrounds Wharton's text. Byron Edinburgh University Press The Shakespearean Originals Series takes as its point of departure the question: "What is it that we read Shakespeare?" The answer may seem selfevident: we read the words that Shakespeare wrote. But do we? In the case of all the major editions of Shakespeare available in the market, the fact of the matter is that many of the words that we read in an edition of, say, Hamlet, never appeared in the text as it was printed during or shortly after Shakespeare's own lifetime. They are the interpetations and interpolations of a series of editors who have been systematically changing Shakespeare's text from the structure and charactereighteenth century

the text of Measure for Measure, as printed in the 1623 First Folio. Jonathan Swift's Gulliver's Travels Routledge This book is a 'one-stopshop' for the busy undergraduate studying Shakespeare. Offering detailed guidance to the plays most often taught on undergraduate courses, the volume targets the topics tutors choose for essay questions and is organised to help students find the information they need quickly. Each text discussion contains sections on sources. characters, performance, themes, language, and critical history, helping students identify the different ways of approaching a text. The book's unique play-based centre approach allows

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students to easily navigate the material. The flexibility of the design allows students to either read cover-to-cover, target a specific play, or explore elements of a narrative unit such as imagery or characterisation. The reader will gain quickly a full grasp of the kind of dramatist William Shakespeare was and is.

A Routledge Study Guide Routledge Doing Kyd reads Thomas Kyd's The Spanish Tragedy, the box-office and print success of its time, as the play that established the revenge genre in England and served as a 'pattern and precedent' for the golden generation of early modern playwrights, from Marlowe and Shakespeare to Middleton, Webster and Ford Interdisciplinary in approach and accessible in

style, this collection is crucial in two respects: firstly, it has a wide spectrum, addressing readers with interests in the play from its early impact as the first sixteenth-century revenge tragedy, to its afterlife in print, on the stage, in screen adaptation and bibliographical studies. Secondly, the collection appears at a time when Kyd and his play are back in the spotlight, through renewed critical interest, several new stage productions between 2009 and 2013, and its firm presence in highereducation curriculum for English and drama. A Sourcebook The Routledge Guide to William Shakespeare J.D. Salinger's The Catcher in the Rye (1951) is a twentieth-century classic. Despite being one of the most

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frequently banned books in America, generations of approaches identified in readers have identified with the narrator. Holden Caulfield, an angry young man who articulates the confusion, cynicism and vulnerability of adolescence with humour and sincerity. This guide to Salinger's provocative novel offers: an accessible introduction to the text and contexts of The Catcher in the Rye a critical history, surveying the many interpretations to the present a selection of new critical essays on the The Catcher in the Rye, by Sally Robinson, Renee R. Curry, Denis Jonnes, Livia Hekanaho and Clive Baldwin, providing a range of perspectives on the novel and extending the

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heated debates that this play has sparked. Looking at issues, such as the representation of gender roles, political violence and the dramatisation of evil, this volume provides a way through the wealth of contextual and critical material that surrounds Shakespeare's text.

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