

Name: _____
Hamlet
Soliloquy Brainstorm

Part-One: Choosing a Character

1. Choose a main character whom you find most compelling/interesting

- a) Hamlet
- b) Ophelia
- c) Gertrude
- d) Claudius
- e) Polonius

Part-Two: Getting to know your character (Answer each with a few sentences)

1. Why did you choose this character?

2. What do you find interesting/compelling about this character?

3. How would you describe this character?

4. What problems or issues is your character dealing with?

5. Who is your character close to? Who is your character having issues with? Why?

6. What motivates your character? What does he or she care about?

Part-Three: Choosing a scene

1. Look back through the first 3 acts of *Hamlet*

2. Choose a scene where your character could use a soliloquy. Look for a moment when your character could say a lot more than he or she is able to.

- Write the page number of this scene: _____

3. Answer these questions about that scene

- Why did you choose this scene?

- What is happening in this scene?

- What themes are important in this scene?

- What is your character thinking/feeling during this scene?

- What more could your character say during this scene?