

## Finance & Hospitality - 8th grade Interdisciplinary Lesson

**Title: A Midsummer Night's Dream and the Comedy of Control**

### **Anchor Text:**

- *A Midsummer Night's Dream* by William Shakespeare

Love and magic rule the world of this fanciful comedy set in ancient Athens and a nearby woods. The fair maiden Hermia loves Lysander, but her father insists that Demetrius be her mate. To escape a forced marriage, Hermia runs away with Lysander to the woods, followed by Demetrius (who is madly in love with Hermia) and Helena (her friend who hopelessly loves Demetrius). Unknowingly, the lovers enter the kingdom of fairies, where love potions and magical transformations are the order of the night. After a wild night of confusion, harmony is restored, love is set right, and weddings are celebrated.

### **Research**

**Where was William Shakespeare born & raised?**

**What year did he write *Midsummer Night's Dream*?**

**What was the currency in the year Shakespeare wrote the play where he lived?**

**What is the current currency in Shakespeare's homeland country?**

**What was the currency in Athens/Ancient Greece during the time of the Olympics?**