*Romeo and Juliet* Act IV Study Questions

(Falling Action)

Scene 1—Tuesday afternoon

1. Whom does Juliet meet at Friar Laurence’s cell? What is he doing there?
2. What does Juliet threaten if Friar Laurence does not help her?
3. How long will Juliet sleep from Friar Laurence’s potion?
4. How is Romeo to know about the plan?

Scene 2—Tuesday night

1. What promise does Juliet make to her father?

Scene 3—Tuesday night

1. Why does Juliet take a dagger to bed with her?
2. Before using the mixture in the vial, Juliet expresses what fear about Friar Laurence?

Scene 4—Wednesday morning

1. What are Lady Capulet, the Nurse, Capulet, and the servants doing as the scene opens?
2. What mood are they in?
3. What has Capulet been doing all night?

Scene 5—Wednesday morning

1. What does the Nurse assume upon seeing Juliet when she says, “What, dressed in your clothes, and down again”?
2. The Capulets were ready to have a wedding feast. How will all the preparations for the feast be changed by Juliet’s “death”?