

**AIM: How does Shakespeare grab his audience's attention in the first scene?**



**Do Now:** How do fights or arguments usually start?

## Romeo & Juliet

- Act 1:1
- Pp. 9-26
- Characters:
  - Sampson & Gregory
  - Abram
  - Benvolio
  - Tybalt
  - Capulet
  - Lady Capulet
  - Montague
  - Lady Montague
  - Prince Escalus
  - Romeo



“Gregory, on my word, we'll not carry coals.”  
1:1 p. 9

•What does it mean to carry coals?

Gregory - we don't want to be colliers → coal dealers.  
But we can end up in the collar. → hanged

We won't be  
humiliated!

•What is Sampson saying here?

•What is it called when you play with words to make a joke?

1. A) Capulet Servants
  - B) They hate the servants of the Montague family and want to fight them.
3. It's an insult like "the middle finger!"

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## Innuendos & Puns

- What are some innuendos & puns you can pick out from the conversation between Sampson & Gregory?

- Page # 8 Line # 16-17

// thrust maids against the wall!!

- Page # 11 Line # 26

"... the heads of the maids,  
or their maidenhead!! → Virginity

“ I will bite my thumb at them...” 1:1 p.11

Archers



Swordsman

