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| Act 1 sc 1Castle platformGhost is seen by guards and Horatio. | Act 1 sc 2Great Hall Hamlet grieves. He is ignored by Claudius and Gertrude | 1,3 Polonius’ quartersHe counsels Ophelia and Laertes‘Above all else to thine own self be true’ | 1,4 The Gun PlatformThe Ghost beckons Hamlet‘Something is rotten in the state of Denmark’ | 1,5 The Walls of ElsinoreHamlet meets the ghost. He promises revenge. Decides upon antic disposition. |
| 2,1 Polonius’ ChamberP gets Reynaldo to spy on Laertes. Ophelia reports on H’s antic disposition | 2,2 (part a) Great HallC, G & P discuss H’s madness. P thinks he’s in love. They arrange to have him spied upon | 2,2 (part b) H enters. He insults C & G. The players arrive. 1 of them performs a speech. H decries his own lack of emotion | 3, 1 Hamlet contemplates suicide. ‘To be or not to be’ He gets angry with O. ‘Get thee to a nunnery’ | 3,2 The actors perform the play mimicking King Hamlet’s murder. C storms out. H is convinced of his guilt. H flirts with O.  |
| 3,3 the king’s chapelClaudius prays and admits his guilt. H comes up behind him, dagger drawn but doesn’t kill him as C is praying and won’t go to hell. | 3,4 G’s private room. P spies on G & H from behind the arras. H verbally attacks G. P calls out. H stabs him. H continues to verbally abuse his mother.  | 4,1 C along with Ros and Guild. They decide to send H to England. Ros & Guild go look for H. | 4,2 A corridor in the castle. They find H. He is unrepentant.  | 4,3 A state room. Ros & Guild bring H to C. C arranges for H to be killed when he gets to England.  |
| 4,4 The Sea CoastH hears about how determined Fortinbras is. This makes him curse his indecisiveness and be more focussed.  | 4,5 Great Hall Ophelia enters singing gibberish. Laertes enters full of anger, determined to avenge his father.  | 4,6 Horatio receives a letter from hamlet saying how he was rescued by pirates. | 4,7 State roomLaertes and Claudius plan to kill Hamlet.  | 5,1 graveyard. Hamlet thinks about how fickle life is when he sees the gravediggers be so blasé about death. He fights with Laertes in Ophelia’s grave about who loves her more. Laertes and  |