

# *Taming of the Shrew* Essay Questions



Your task is to pick **one** of the topics below and write a 2-3 paged, double-spaced, essay proving your position. You need to incorporate at least three quotes from the book to SUPPORT your position. You need a title, 12 point font, New Times Roman. Your quotes need to have proper MLA format in-text citation.

Due: 4/24 in Google classroom – only electronic papers allowed!

1. Take a stance: Was Shakespeare telling the reader that women should be “possessions” or that man’s dominance and need for control is too extreme?
2. In reference to stereotypical gender roles of the times (how women and men were expected to behave), focus on either Bianca or Katherine and explain how their associated gender roles switch throughout the play, providing examples.
3. Deceit is a major theme in the play. What is Shakespeare trying to tell the audience about the use of deception for personal gain?