

# The Two Gentlemen of Verona

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*Enter Proteus and Julia*

**PROTEUS**

Have patience, gentle Julia.

**JULIA**

I must where is no remedy.

**PROTEUS**

When possibly I can I will return.

**JULIA**

If you turn not, you will return the sooner.

*She gives him a ring*

Keep this remembrance for thy Julia's sake.

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**PROTEUS**

Why then, we'll make exchange. Here, take you this.

*He gives her a ring*

**JULIA**

And seal the bargain with a holy kiss.

*[They kiss]*

**PROTEUS**

Here is my hand for my true constancy.

And when that hour o'erslips me in the day

Wherein I sigh not, Julia, for thy sake,

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The next ensuing hour some foul mischance

Torment me for my love's forgetfulness.

My father stays my coming. Answer not.

The tide is now. *(Julia weeps)* Nay, not thy tide of tears,

That tide will stay me longer than I should.

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Julia, farewell.

*Exit Julia*

What, gone without a word?

Ay, so true love should do. It cannot speak,

For truth hath better deeds than words to grace it.

*Enter Panthino*

**PANTHINO**

Sir Proteus, you are stayed for.

**PROTEUS**

Go, I come, I come.±±

Alas, this parting strikes poor lovers dumb.

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*Exeunt*