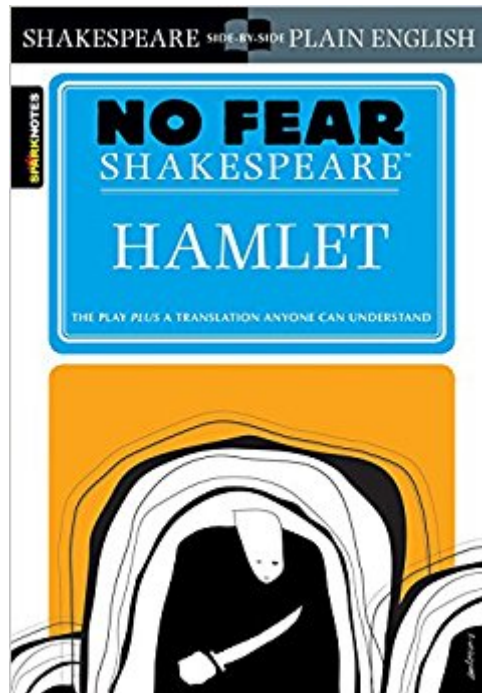




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Customer Reviews

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With text taken from the No Fear Shakespeare series, which modernized Shakespeare's original language, this entry in the No Fear Shakespeare Graphic Novels line makes the Bard even more accessible. The language has been further simplified, but not dumbed down, and the story stays true to the arc of the play, with the monologues and interiors nearly intact. Babra's artwork, though far from flashy, is no mere window dressing, its clear, black-and-white scenes often shifting into a stark, expressionistic mode that heightens the drama. Along with a nicely digestible version of the play, this will give readers a feel for Shakespeare's language and wordplay (many of the famous lines and naughty double entendres have been preserved). With all that going

for it, this admirable effort is likely to succeed in the classroom, as well as appeal to those already drawn to Shakespeare. As far as graphic novel readers are concerned, however, sticking so close to the original may present a harder pill to swallow. Grades 9-12. --Ian Chipman

The additional content is really interesting but the actual textual notes are limited. I just got a copy of the Arden hamlet and I feel it provides a great deal more in-text notes and analysis. That said, this edition is valuable for the compilation of well chosen discussions included and I do recommend it.

Another wonderful classic beautifully bound in a lovely treasured keepsake by Collector's Library. Having almost 20 of their books, I am always so pleased add another to my "Collector's Collection." Gilded edges, lovely illustrations at a very reasonable price. Who could ask for anything more?

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influence is everywhere today, movies, TV, novels, and the stuff of headlines. Picked it up again after a few decades and still could not put it down.

Reading Hamlet for my college literature class and the translation is incredibly helpful. Showed it to my teacher and she's considering using it next semester. Great deal, worth much more than \$3.

its great if u need help getting through any shakespeare and making sure you understand it. however it was a bit of a pain in class to have to keep turning the page so much more frequently. the way the book is set up is that on the left page you have the original script and on the right is the modern language version...its also a bit difficult to write notes on the page if you are looking to do that. but it does serve its price mark purpouse

If you are a fan of Shakespeare you will enjoy most of these classical books that he has written. I know a few people have actually had trouble, and in some cases even myself with what was going on in an 'act or scene' but on the left side they break it down in a little note on what is what. It basically acts (the left side) as a study guide on certain things if you get lost, what is what, what is going on, what just happened etc. It takes something that isn't normally used and helps you understand it if you are having some issues. The book itself came very well packed, the pages were not bent, or the cover. It was well written with no errors that I have ran across, and the text is readable. It is a good size for anyone, though a little smaller then the average book it can still work out just fine. The cover itself is practical but very interesting in itself, and smooth so you won't get anything sticky or annoying to deal with. It is easy to keep track of where you are at so if you have bookmarks or so on use them. Not hard to lose at all, and great condition.

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