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# The TEMPEST

THE GRAPHIC NOVEL  
William Shakespeare

Original Text  
Plain Text  
Quick Text





# New Title Information

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**Title:** The Tempest The Graphic Novel  
**Sub title:** Quick Text  
**Publisher:** Classical Comics Ltd  
**Author:** William Shakespeare

**ISBN:** UK: 978-1-906332-31-0 US: 978-1-906332-71-6

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## Brief description of the book:

This version of Shakespeare's *The Tempest* contains the whole story from the original script, in full colour graphic novel format, with reduced dialogue for a fast-paced read. Although it was the first play to appear in the earliest *Folio* printing of Shakespeare's plays, it was almost certainly the last play he wrote alone. It held pride of place in that first collection, presumably because the editors thought it to be his masterpiece; a crowning glory to the career of the most brightest of playwrights. Needless to say, we had to select the very best artists to do it justice, and to bring you the stunning artwork that you've come to expect from our titles. Poignant to the last, this book is a classic amongst classics. Coupled with stunning artwork, this is a must-have for any Shakespeare lover.

## Key sales points:

- THE FULL PLAY IN QUICK MODERN ENGLISH FOR A FAST-PACED READ.
- Full colour graphic novel format.
- Teachers notes/study guide available.
- Perfect partner to the Original Text version (978-1-906332-29-7) that contains the full text.

## Publisher information:

Classical Comics is a UK publisher creating graphic novel adaptations of classical literature. True to the original vision of the author, their books are further enhanced by using only the finest artists - giving you a truly wonderful reading experience.

**Edition:** First  
**Series:** 1 of 3 versions available - Original Text, Plain Text & Quick Text  
**Pub Date:** UK: September 2009 US: November 2009  
**Classification:** General Fiction, DDS, FX  
**Price:** £9.99 / \$16.95 **Format:** Paperback  
**Size:** 246mm x 168mm **Pages:** 144 pages  
**Age range:** General  
**Illustrations:** Full colour graphic novel illustrations throughout.

## Reviews:

"I came across your amazing site by accident while browsing on the internet for some ideas for 2008. I was thrilled to see that 'The Tempest' was available in comic form. I have downloaded it and can't wait to see my students' reactions. Thank you so much."

Kerryann, Teacher in South Africa

"Because Shakespeare is the only author we have to teach in the national curriculum, teachers appreciate any kind of help in making the plays accessible and enjoyable."

Ian McNeilly, National Association for the Teaching of English  
<http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/education/6647927.stm>









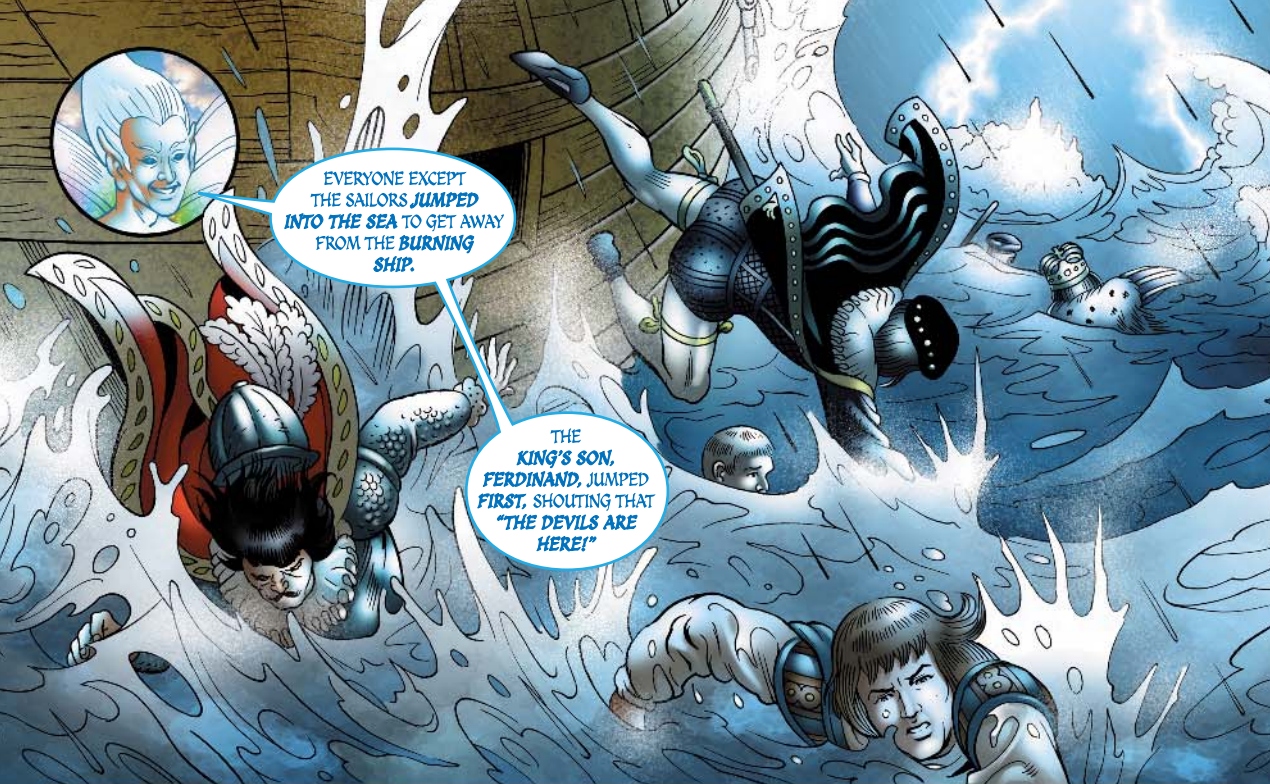


I FLEW ROUND  
THE SHIP, FASTER THAN  
LIGHTNING, MAKING FIRE  
AND NOISE.

DID IT  
SEND THEM  
CRAZY?

IT DID.





EVERYONE EXCEPT  
THE SAILORS JUMPED  
INTO THE SEA TO GET AWAY  
FROM THE BURNING  
SHIP.

THE  
KING'S SON,  
FERDINAND, JUMPED  
FIRST, SHOUTING THAT  
"THE DEVILS ARE  
HERE!"



WELL DONE,  
MY SPIRIT.

ARE THEY  
ALL SAFE,  
ARIEL?

NO  
ONE WAS  
HURT.

EVEN  
THEIR CLOTHES ARE  
DRY AND FRESH. I'VE  
SCATTERED THEM IN GROUPS  
AROUND THE ISLAND AS YOU  
ORDERED.

THE  
KING'S SON IS  
ALONE.





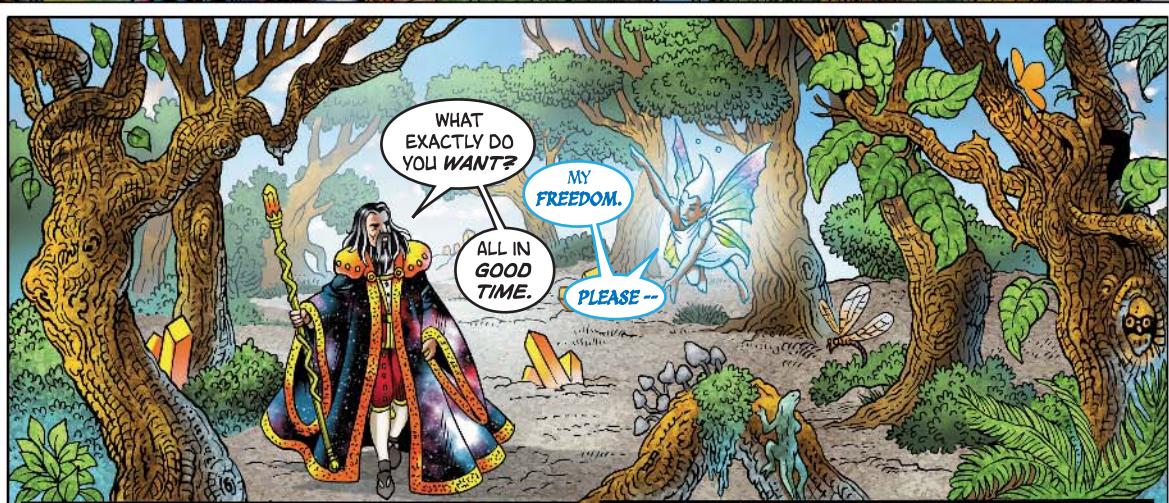






WE HAVE **WORK** TO DO BEFORE **SIX O'CLOCK**.

**MORE WORK?** CAN I REMIND YOU OF YOUR **PROMISE?**

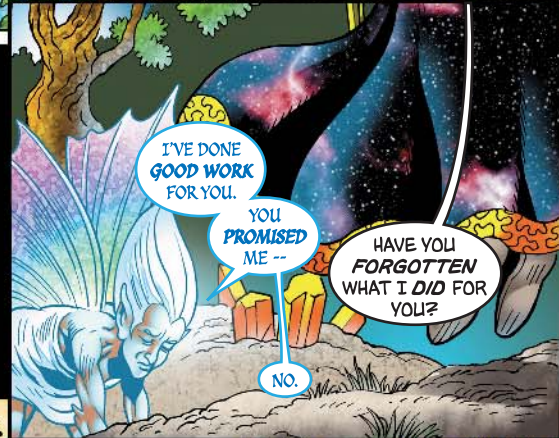


WHAT EXACTLY DO YOU **WANT?**

MY **FREEDOM**.

ALL IN **GOOD TIME**.

**PLEASE --**



I'VE DONE **GOOD WORK** FOR YOU.

YOU **PROMISED** ME --

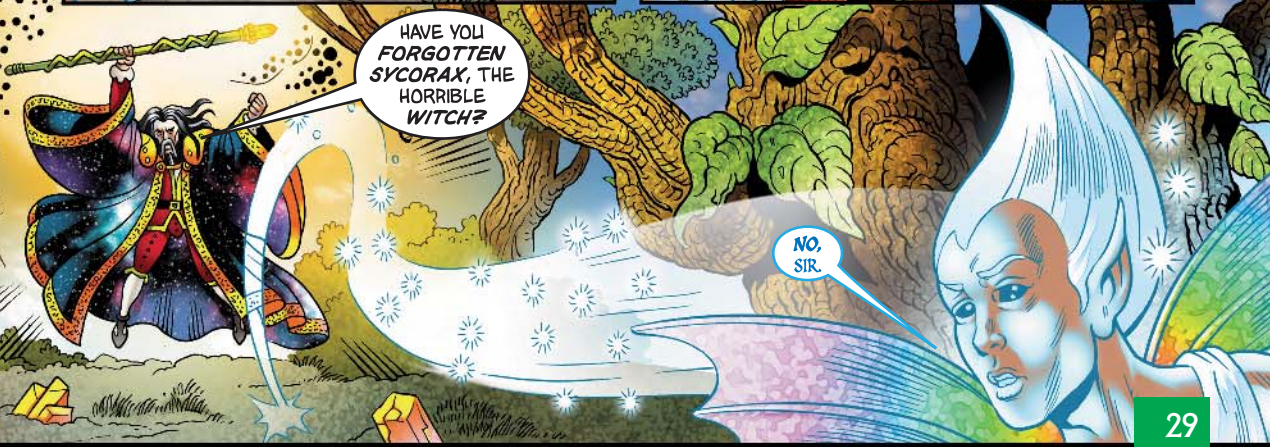
**NO.**

HAVE YOU **FORGOTTEN** WHAT I **DID** FOR YOU?



**YOU HAVE!** AND NOW YOU THINK MY **TASKS** ARE TOO **MUCH WORK** FOR YOU.

I **DON'T**, SIR --



HAVE YOU **FORGOTTEN** **SYCORAX**, THE **HORRIBLE WITCH?**

**NO, SIR.**





SHE  
WAS SENT HERE  
FROM **ALGIERS** AS  
**PUNISHMENT** FOR HER  
**TERRIBLE CRIMES**,  
WASN'T SHE?

YES,  
SIR.

SHE WAS  
**PREGNANT**  
WHEN SHE CAME  
HERE.

YOU  
BECAME HER  
**SERVANT**, BUT YOU  
REFUSED TO CARRY OUT  
HER **HORRIBLE**  
**ORDERS** --





-- SO SHE  
SEALED YOU UP  
INSIDE A TREE.



SHE  
EVENTUALLY DIED,  
LEAVING YOU STUCK  
THERE FOR TWELVE LONG  
YEARS - SCREAMING  
AND CRYING ALL  
THE TIME.

THERE WAS NO  
ONE ELSE ON THE  
ISLAND THEN, EXCEPT  
FOR SYCORAX'S  
SON.



YES,  
CALIBAN.





YOU WERE  
SCREAMING TO  
GET OUT WHEN I  
FOUND YOU.

IT WAS *MY*  
MAGIC THAT OPENED  
THE TREE TO LET  
YOU OUT.