

**SHAKESPEARE A:**

"Two households, both alike in dignity,  
In fair Verona where we lay our scene,  
From ancient grudge break to new mutiny  
Where civil blood makes civil hands unclean.  
From forth the fatal loins of these two foes  
A pair of star-crossed lovers take their life,  
Whose misadventured, piteous o'erthrows  
Do, with their death, bury their parents' strife."

**SHAKESPEARE B:**

J/HAMLET: "I am but mad north-northwest.  
I'll have these players play something like  
The murder of my father before mine uncle.  
I'll observe his looks. If he do but blench,  
I know my course. The play's the thing  
Wherein I'll catch the conscience of the king!  
To be, or not to be? That is the question.  
Whether 'tis nobler in the mind to suffer  
The slings and arrows of outrageous fortune  
Or to take arms against a sea of troubles  
And by opposing end them. To die; to sleep;"

**EXCERPT #3 and SHAKESPEARE C:**

J/TITUS: Hello and welcome to another delicious episode of Kitchen Tragedies! I'm your host, Titus Andronicus—a.k.a The Gory Gourmet. Now, when you've had a crappy day—your left hand chopped off, your sons murdered, your daughter raped, her tongue cut out, and both her hands chopped off—well the last thing you want to do is cook! Unless you cook up the rapist and serve him to his sick, twisted, tyrant of a mother at a dinner party. My daughter Lavinia and I will show you how. Hello Lavinia. Are you as enraged as I am? Ready to bake up some sweet revenge?

"Then hark, villain. I will grind your bones to dust,  
And of your blood and it I'll make a paste;  
And of the paste a coffin I will rear  
And make a pasty of your shameful head.  
Come, Lavinia, receive the blood."

"Let me go grind his bones to powder small...  
And with this hateful liquor temper it;  
And in that paste let his vile head be baked—"

—at about five hundred degrees, because this revenge is best served FREAKING HOT! And forty minutes later, you have this lovely human head pie—which I prepared earlier. With ladyfingers for dessert! There you go. It's another kitchen catharsis! Be sure to watch our next episode, a two-parter where Coriolanus will share his recipe for Hoarded Cornbread, and we'll see Timon of Athens in a meaty new take on the Greek Salad. Till then, bone appetit!