

*Midsummer Night's Dream: Act 2*

ACT II, SCENE I

1. What does the reader find out about the current relationship between Oberon, King of the Fairies, and Titania, Queen of the Fairies, from Puck and the first fairy?
2. How have Oberon and Titania been involved in the past with Theseus and Hippolyta, and why have they come to Athens?
3. What effect has their quarrel had on nature, on the seasons, on humans?
4. Why won't Titania give up the changeling to Oberon?
5. What does Oberon send Puck to find?

6. What are Oberon's plans for Titania?

7. How does Helena react to Demetrius's verbal abuse?

8. What is her response to his threats of physical abuse?

9. In what way is Helena's behavior inappropriate for Athenian women?

10. What does Oberon tell Puck to do about Demetrius and Helena?

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1. Why does Oberon want Titania to wake and fall in love with some vile thing?

2. Why does Hermia insist Lysander sleep a little ways from her?

3. Why does Puck anoint Lysander's eyes?

4. How does Helena react to Lysander's sudden love for her when he awakens?

5. How is Hermia's dream a reflection of reality?