

SHAKESPEARIENCE!

Hamlet Scenes

ACT I, Scene 5: Hamlet and The Ghost

HAMLET

Where wilt thou lead me? speak; I'll go no further.

Ghost

Mark me.

HAMLET

Speak; I am bound to hear.

Ghost

So art thou to *revenge*, when thou shalt hear.

HAMLET

What?

Ghost

I am thy father's spirit, doom'd for a certain term to walk the night,
List, list, O, list! If thou didst ever thy dear father love—

HAMLET

O God!

Ghost

Revenge his foul and most unnatural murder.

HAMLET

Murder!

Ghost

Murder most foul, *strange and unnatural*.

HAMLET

Haste me to know't, that I, with wings as swift as meditation or the thoughts of love, may sweep to my revenge.

Ghost

Now, Hamlet, hear: 'Tis given out that, sleeping in my orchard,
A serpent stung me; but know, thou noble youth, the serpent that did
sting thy father's life now wears his crown.

HAMLET

O my prophetic soul! My uncle!

Ghost

Ay, that incestuous, that adulterate beast, with witchcraft of his wit, with
traitorous gifts,--O wicked wit and gifts, that have the power so to
seduce!--won to his shameful lust the will of my most seeming-virtuous
queen: Let not the royal bed of Denmark be a couch for luxury and
damned incest.

Adieu, adieu! Hamlet, *remember me*.