

Full moon reading sheet

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(30 points) More strange than true: I never may believe these antique fables, ...

(20 points) ... nor these fairy toys. Lovers and madmen have such seething brains, such shaping fantasies, ...

(15 points) ... that apprehend more than cool reason ever comprehends. The lunatic, the lover and the poet are of imagination all compact: one sees more devils than vast hell can hold, that is, the madman: ...

(12 points) ... the lover, all as frantic, sees Helen's beauty in a brow of Egypt: the poet's eye, in fine frenzy rolling, doth glance from heaven to earth, from earth to heaven; and as imagination bodies forth the forms of things unknown, ...

(10 points) ... the poet's pen turns them to shapes and gives to airy nothing a local habitation and a name. Such tricks hath strong imagination, that if it would but apprehend some joy, It comprehends some bringer of that joy; or in the night, imagining some fear, how easy is a bush supposed a bear! ...

(8 points) ... But all the story of the night told over, and all their minds transfigured so together, more witnesseth than fancy's images and grows to something of great constancy; but, howsoever, strange and admirable. ...

(6 points) ... Here come the lovers, full of joy and mirth.

Joy, gentle friends! joy and fresh days of love accompany your hearts! More than to us wait in your royal walks, your board, your bed! Come now; what masques, what dances shall we have, to wear away this long age of three hours between our after-supper and bed-time? ...

from:
William Shakespeare, »A Midsummer Night's Dream«, Act 5, Scene 1