

CAST OF CHARACTERS

Don Pedro, Prince of Aragon

Don John, his bastard brother

Claudio, a young lord of Florence

Benedick, a young lord of Padua

Leonato, Governor of Messina

Antonio, an old man, Leonato's brother

Balthasar, attendant to Don Pedro

Borachio, follower of Don John

Conrade, follower of Don John

Friar Francis

Dogberry, a constable

A Sexton

A Boy

Verges, a headborough [*parish officer with the same function as a petty constable*]

Hero, daughter to Leonato

Beatrice, niece to Leonato

Margaret, gentlewoman attending on Hero

Ursula, gentlewoman attending on Hero

Messengers, Two Watchmen, Attendant, etc.

Place

Messina