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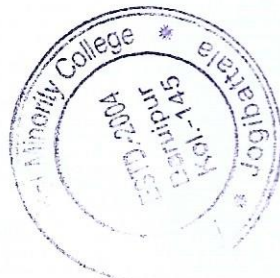
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# Twelfth Night as a romantic Comedy

## Introduction:

William Shakespeare has written a number of romantic comedies. Twelfth Night is one of the finest comedies of the author. We know that a romantic comedy is play in which the Love. Love at first sight is often its main theme.

Generally, a romantic comedy starts with some problems that make the union of the lovers difficult. But it ends with their happy union.

It can be compared with the Merchant of Venice, Much Ado about Nothing and As you like it. It deals with the light and trivial incidents of life. It combines romantic elements with comic



elements. It has a happy ending. Happiness through Marriages. Twelfth Night possess certain features which are common to all romantic comedies of Shakespeare. It is based on love leading to marriage. Almost all the characters are the patients of the same disease - love. The fifth act brings them all happiness through marriage. The Duke gets Viola, Olivia gets Sebastian and Sir Toby feels content with Maria. The entire fifth act echoes with the wedding bells and offers a happy ending. It is a form of comedy which deals with love. Love at first sight is often its main theme. Generally, a romantic comedy starts with some problems that make the union of the lovers difficult.



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~~Twelfth Night is a typical romantic play of Shakespeare. It has some elements which give the play a romantic air. It is a romantic in its setting and theme. Love at first sight, music, improbabilities and the violation of the classical rules have lent weight to the view that Twelfth Night is a romantic comedy.~~

Love is the very essence of romance. It is also a tale of love at first sight. As soon as Cesario has left, she says to herself -

"Even so quickly may one catch the plague."

This love is romantic, intense and passionate. It has nothing to do with reason. It is not directed and run with argument.

## Conclusion

Shakespeare's woman in Twelfth night presents ideas that match to the modern roles of women. After examining the play, one will see that Shakespeare creates resolute female characters with a strong sense of self. Shakespeare did indeed create realistic and meaningful female characters.

To conclude, Twelfth night is the perfect and merriest comedy that Shakespeare wrote ever. Dowden has rightly called this play "Joyous, refined and romantic".

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