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## Will's Fate

**Directions:** Read the selected excerpts from *Romeo and Juliet*. Track how the theme of **fate versus free will** develops through the lovers' choices. Complete the chart and answer the reflection questions. Support your ideas with direct evidence from the text.

### Excerpt 1 (Prologue):

"A pair of star-cross'd lovers take their life;  
Whose misadventured piteous overthrows  
Doth with their death bury their parents' strife."

### Excerpt 2 (Act I, Scene 4):

Romeo: "My mind misgives / Some consequence yet hanging in the stars / Shall bitterly begin his fearful date / With this night's revels..."

### Excerpt 3 (Act V, Scene 1):

Romeo: "Is it e'en so? Then I defy you, stars!"

Excerpt	Evidence of Fate	Evidence of Free Will	Your Explanation
1			
2			
3			