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THE CHARACTERS IN THE PLAY

Prospero	– a magician, formerly Duke of Milan
Miranda	– Prospero's daughter
Alonso	– King of Naples
Ferdinand	– son of the King of Naples
Sebastian	– brother of the King of Naples
Antonio	– Prospero's brother; he became Duke of Milan
Gonzalo	– an honest old councillor
Caliban	– Prospero's slave
Ariel	– an airy spirit, also Prospero's slave
Trinculo	– a jester
Stephano	– butler to the King of Naples
Boatswain	– an officer on the ship
Juno	– one of the gods in Prospero's play
Adrian	– a lord from Naples
Francisco	– another lord from Naples

PORTRAIT GALLERY



Prospero



Miranda



Alonso



Ferdinand



Sebastian



Antonio



Gonzalo



Caliban



Ariel



Trinculo



Stephano



Boatswain



Juno



Adrian

The Tempest

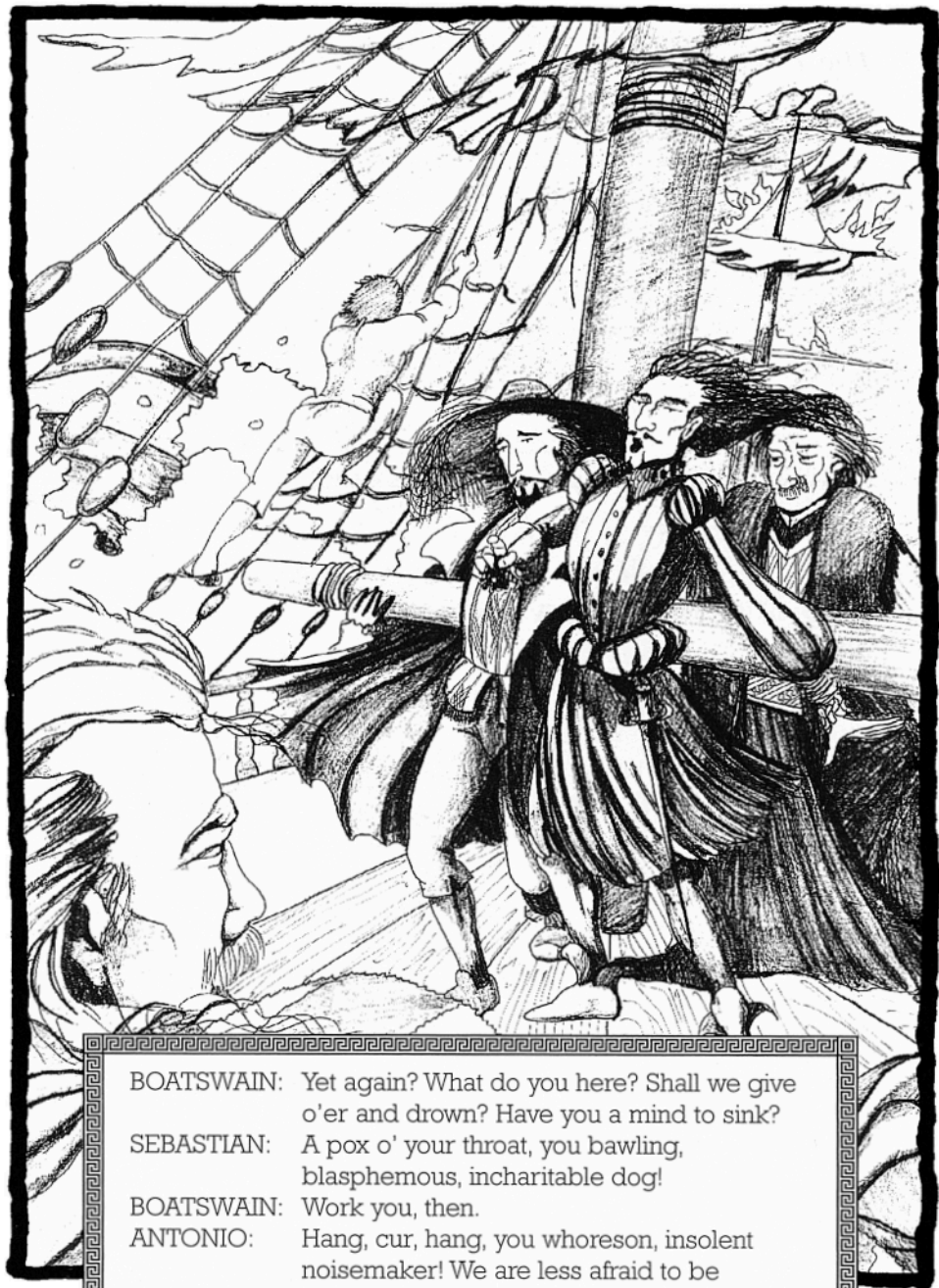
ACT 1

A ship was caught in a terrible storm at sea. The Captain, the Boatswain and the sailors were doing everything they could to save the ship.

Some very important people were on the ship: the King of Naples, his son the Prince, and many nobles. They were all very frightened. They were shouting and arguing with each other, and with the boatswain¹ and his sailors.

Suddenly, the sailors shouted that the ship was sinking. The sailors and the passengers were all sure that they were going to die. They would drown in the sea.

¹boatswain – officer in charge of the sails and the ropes, pronounced “bo’sun”



BOATSWAIN: Yet again? What do you here? Shall we give o'er and drown? Have you a mind to sink?

SEBASTIAN: A pox o' your throat, you bawling, blasphemous, incharitable dog!

BOATSWAIN: Work you, then.

ANTONIO: Hang, cur, hang, you whoreson, insolent noisemaker! We are less afraid to be drowned than thou art.