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Hamlet by Shakespeare

E. To be or not to be that is the wrong question!

a- The right question is to act or not to act, to kill or not to kill?

b- We are happy or the reverse because of our action.

c- Because of his inaction, Hamlet becomes the unhappiest person on earth.

d- He has lost the body-politic: the kingdom.

e- He has lost the body-maternal: the mother.

f- Later he loses the body-lover: Ophelia.

F. The madness of Hamlet.

a- Hamlet is a mad person in the sense that he is not a mad person!

b- Madness protects him somehow against the horrors of politics.

c- Madness makes him look inwardly upon himself to philosophize.

e- In philosophizing over the grave of Ophelia, he wishes that the body of the noble

lady be buried in a noble dust.

f- Hamlet, in the end, faces the truth that his noble father like the noble Ophelia like Alexander

the Great, all will rot under the earth once dead.