1. Match them up!
Draw a line to match the character and their name.

Hamlet — Gertrude
Claudius — Horatio
King Hamlet — Ophelia
Laertes —

2. What’s the word?
Write the word under the pictures.

poison  cut  marry  worried  sword
ghost  play  drink  fight  confused

marry  ghost  poison  confused  play
worried  fight  sword  drink  cut
3. What’s the order?
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4. True or false?
Circle True or False for these sentences.

a. Hamlet’s mother gets married again to his father’s brother, Claudius.  
   true  false
b. Hamlet sees the ghost of his friend father.  
   true  false
c. The ghost tells him that Claudius killed him with a knife poison.  
   true  false
d. Hamlet is confused and doesn’t know what to do.  
   true  false
e. When Claudius watches the play he is very happy worried.  
   true  false
f. Hamlet doesn’t know knows that Claudius killed his father.  
   true  false
g. Claudius and Laertes want to kill Hamlet.  
   true  false
h. Hamlet and Laertes cut each other with the poisoned sword.  
   true  false
i. Hamlet’s mother drinks the poisoned drink and sleeps dies.  
   true  false
j. Hamlet cuts Claudius with the sword and gives him the drink and he dies.  
   true  false
5. Complete the sentences!
Children complete the sentences to retell the story in their own words. If this is difficult for them, they can play the matching game under the video first to help. The suggested answers below are just a guide – the exact wording will depend on the child.

a. Hamlet’s father dies and his mother \textit{gets married again to Claudius}. 

b. The ghost of Hamlet’s father tells Hamlet that \textit{Claudius killed him with poison}. 

c. Hamlet asks some actors to perform a play showing \textit{a king poisoned like Hamlet’s father}. 

d. Claudius runs away from the play so Hamlet knows \textit{that Claudius killed his father}. 

e. Claudius and Laertes make a plan to kill Hamlet with \textit{poison on a sword and in a drink}. 

f. Hamlet and Laertes cut each other with \textit{the poisoned sword}. 

g. Hamlet’s mother drinks \textit{the poisoned drink}. 

h. Hamlet cuts Claudius with the poisoned sword and \textit{gives him the poisoned drink}. 

6. Write and draw!
Children imagine and write about seeing a ghost, and draw a picture.

7. Think about it!
Children think about the questions and decide if they feel sorry for Hamlet and if they think he did the right thing.