

Active Reading

Hamlet Act 2

In act 2 many of Shakespeare's characters are hatching secret plots to expose the motives and true feelings of other characters. As you read, complete the chart below by filling in a description of each scheme or plot and its desired effect. Use as many boxes as you need.

Secret plot or scheme: Polonius sends his servant Reynaldo to Paris to spy on Laertes.	→	Desired outcome or effect: confirms his beliefs about Laertes' misconduct
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