Two households, both alike in dignity,
In fair Verona, where we lay our scene,
From ancient grudge break to new mutiny,
Where civil blood makes civil hands unclean. 1
From forth the fatal loins of these two foes
A pair of star-cross'd lovers take their life;
Whose misadventured piteous overthrows
Do with their death bury their parents' strife. 2
The fearful passage of their death-mark'd love,
And the continuance of their parents' rage,
Which, but their children's end, nought could remove,
Is now the two hours' traffic of our stage; 3
The which if you with patient ears attend,
What here shall miss, our toil shall strive to mend. 4
Read the entire Prologue.

1. Note any unfamiliar or difficult words that needed to be defined. What definitions did you find?
2. Meaning: Paraphrase your assigned portion, line by line.
3. Literary Elements?
4. Imagery—provide at least one specific example
5. Structure?