

# The Tragedy of Julius Caesar

## Decius Brutus complete text



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**Decius Brutus.** Here lies the east: doth not the day break here?

**Decius Brutus.** Shall no man else be touch'd but only Caesar?

**Decius Brutus.** Never fear that: if he be so resolved,  
I can o'ersway him; for he loves to hear  
That unicorns may be betray'd with trees,  
And bears with glasses, elephants with holes,  
Lions with toils and men with flatterers;  
But when I tell him he hates flatterers,  
He says he does, being then most flattered.  
Let me work;  
For I can give his humour the true bent,  
And I will bring him to the Capitol.

**Decius Brutus.** Caesar, all hail! good morrow, worthy Caesar:  
I come to fetch you to the senate-house.

**Decius Brutus.** Most mighty Caesar, let me know some cause,  
Lest I be laugh'd at when I tell them so.

**Decius Brutus.** This dream is all amiss interpreted;  
It was a vision fair and fortunate:  
Your statue spouting blood in many pipes,  
In which so many smiling Romans bathed,  
Signifies that from you great Rome shall suck  
Reviving blood, and that great men shall press  
For tinctures, stains, relics and cognizance.  
This by Calpurnia's dream is signified.

**Decius Brutus.** I have, when you have heard what I can say:  
And know it now: the senate have concluded  
To give this day a crown to mighty Caesar.  
If you shall send them word you will not come,  
Their minds may change. Besides, it were a mock  
Apt to be render'd, for some one to say  
'Break up the senate till another time,  
When Caesar's wife shall meet with better dreams.'  
If Caesar hide himself, shall they not whisper

## The Tragedy of Julius Caesar - character extract

'Lo, Caesar is afraid'  
Pardon me, Caesar; for my dear dear love  
To our proceeding bids me tell you this;  
And reason to my love is liable.

**Decius Brutus.** Trebonius doth desire you to o'erread,  
At your best leisure, this his humble suit.

**Decius Brutus.** Where is Metellus Cimber? Let him go,  
And presently prefer his suit to Caesar.

**Decius Brutus.** Great Caesar,--

**Decius Brutus.** And Cassius too.

**Decius Brutus.** What, shall we forth?

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