Romeo and Juliet – Quotes from Prologue & Act 1 Scene 1

"A pair of star-crossed lovers"

From the prologue. This quote tells us that Romeo and Juliet's romance is fated to end in tragedy.

Tybalt to Benvolio. He thinks
Benvolio is hypocritical to talk
about peace when he has drawn
his sword.

Tybalt has no interest in breaking up the fight.

"What, drawn and talk of peace!
I hate the word,
As I hate hell, all Montagues,
and thee."

"If ever you disturb our streets again, Your lives shall pay the forfeit of the peace"

Prince Escalus,
warning the
Montagues and the
Capulets that the next
person who starts a
fight in the street will
be executed.

Benvolio, describing Tybalt's hot-headed behaviour to Lord and Lady Montague.

"The fiery Tybalt"

"I have lost myself, I am not here.
This is not Romeo, he's some other
where."

Romeo, explaining to Benvolio that he is not himself.