

## 'Rachel Zegler and Kit Connor to Headline 'Romeo+Juliet' on Broadway'

### Description

Rachel Zegler of "West Side Story" fame and Kit Connor, known for his role in "Heartstopper," are set to make their Broadway debut in a modern take on Shakespeare's "Romeo + Juliet." Set to premier in the fall, the production will see these young actors play the iconic star-crossed lovers.

Zegler and Connor took to Instagram to hint at the news, with coordinated posts featuring their characters' initials. They also used emojis symbolizing a heart and a dagger, further alluding to their roles. Interestingly, they tagged their location as Verona – the setting for the original Shakespearean tragedy.

This iteration of the classic love story is directed by Sam Gold, with music composed by Grammy-winning Jack Antonoff, who has notably collaborated with pop star Taylor Swift. The choreography will be handled by Sonya Tayeh, who won a Tony for her work in "Moulin Rouge."

"Romeo + Juliet" is being reimagined for the TikTok generation, with an edgy tagline, "the youth are fucked." The production promises to make the timeless tragedy resonate with the plight of today's youth. Further details about the play, including the venue, dates, and more cast members, will be announced in due course.

Connor gained popularity with Netflix's "Heartstopper," while Zegler garnered attention in Spielberg's "West Side Story." Both are set to bring their notable acting chops to this latest representation of the age-old romantic tragedy.

### Vocabulary List:

1. **Premiere** // (noun): The first performance or showing of a playmovieetc.
2. **Star-crossed** // (adjective): Unlucky or doomed in love.
3. **Alluding** // (verb): Suggesting or hinting at something indirectly.
4. **Collaborated** // (verb): Worked together with othersespecially on a creative project.
5. **Resonate** // (verb): Evoke or suggest imagesmemoriesand emotions.
6. **Plight** // (noun): A dangerousdifficultor otherwise unfortunate situation.

### Vocabulary quizzes

**Multiple Choice ( Select the Correct answer for each question. )**

1. What is the power to affect the behavior or opinions of others called?

- Option: Disclosure
- Option: Influence
- Option: Narrative
- Option: Premiere

2. Which term means widely praised or recognized?

- Option: Grittier
- Option: Announcement
- Option: Acclaimed
- Option: Paranoid

3. If an event is broadcast on television it is termed as \_\_\_\_\_.

- Option: Televised
- Option: Embarrassed
- Option: Optimistic
- Option: Notorious

4. What is a feeling of liking or love towards someone or something?

- Option: Infiltrate
- Option: Affection
- Option: Plight
- Option: Decline

5. If something decreases in quality quantity or importance it is said to be in \_\_\_\_\_.

- Option: Premiere
- Option: Decline
- Option: Resonate
- Option: Influence

6. What term refers to the first public performance or showing of a play movie or musical composition?

- Option: Star-crossed
- Option: Premiere
- Option: Dispute
- Option: Amidst

7. What type of skills are those which individuals use to communicate and interact with others?

- Option: Rampant
- Option: Impunity
- Option: Interpersonal
- Option: Paranoid

8. Which term means reaching the highest point or final stage?

- Option: Notorious
- Option: Grittier
- Option: Culminating
- Option: Alluding

9. A person or thing famous or well known typically for some bad quality or deed is described as \_\_\_\_\_.

- Option: Underbelly
- Option: Reimagined
- Option: Notorious
- Option: Amidst

10. Which term is used to describe a more realistic and tough portrayal of a situation or subject?

- Option: Infiltrate
- Option: Disclosure
- Option: Grittier
- Option: Affection

**Gap-Fill ( Fill in the blanks with the correct word from the vocabulary list. )**

11. She felt \_\_\_\_\_ when she realized her mistake during the presentation.

12. Corruption was \_\_\_\_\_ in the political system.

13. The spy managed to \_\_\_\_\_ enemy lines without being detected.

14. The refugees found themselves in a desperate \_\_\_\_\_.

15. The author kept \_\_\_\_\_ to future events in the early chapters.

16. The criminals acted with \_\_\_\_\_ knowing they would not be punished.

17. After the break-in she became \_\_\_\_\_ checking all the locks multiple times.

18. The lovers were considered \_\_\_\_\_ by society as their families were enemies.

19. The investigative journalist exposed the dark \_\_\_\_\_ of the city.

20. The baby smiled in response to his mother's \_\_\_\_\_.

**Matching Sentences ( Match each definition to the correct word from the vocabulary list. )**

21. The company made a public of their financial records.

22. The classic story was in the modern era.

23. the chaos she remained calm and focused on her task.

24. His charismatic personality had a great on his followers.

25. The author's unique style captivated readers.

26. The gang leader was for his criminal activities.

27. The two artists on a project that combined music and art.

28. The message of the speech with the audience inspiring them.

29. The charity aimed to help people in by providing food and shelter.

30. The novel was widely as a masterpiece of modern literature.

**Answer**

**Multiple Choice:** 1. Influence 2. Acclaimed 3. Televised 4. Affection 5. Decline 6. Premiere 7. Interpersonal 8. Culminating 9. Notorious 10. Grittier

**Gap-Fill:** 11. Embarrassed 12. rampant 13. infiltrate 14. plight 15. alluding 16. impunity 17. paranoid 18. star-crossed 19. underbelly 20. affection

**Matching sentence:** 1. Disclosure 2. Reimagined 3. Amidst 4. Influence 5. Narrative 6. Notorious 7. Collaborated 8. Resonate 9. Plight 10. Acclaimed

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