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‘Much ado about nothing’ is one of Shakespeare’s 38 plays for the theatre. It was probably written between 1598 and 1599. The story was set in a small place in Sicily. This is a comedy about two love stories. One of the love stories is about Claudio, Prince Don Pedro’s best friend. He loves Hero at his first sight. Knowing this, Prince Don Pedro helps him propose to Hero at a ball with the permission of Hero’s father. And eventually a wedding is started preparing right away. As the wedding preparation is in progress, the prince’s brother Don John creates a fuss in order to spoil their wedding for he does not like his brother. His plot succeeds. Claudio accuses Hero of being dishonest to him at the wedding in front of all guests. Hero is too shocked that she faints. All the people there think she is dead.

To help fix the much ado about nothing created by Don John, the friar of the wedding set a story to make Claudio marry Hero again.

Another love story talks about Hero’s cousin, Beatrice. It is fun too. Though you may find the plot predictable, the dialogues between the characters will surely bring you a good smile. If you want to learn more about this comedy and Shakespeare’s play, do go to the library and borrow the book.

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