

# Shakespeare Insult Kit

*Have fun with Shakespearean language!*

*Combine one word from each of the three columns below, prefaced with "Thou" – then write a modern translation beside it. You will have to use a dictionary.*

*e.g. Thou reeky, elf-skinned lout! = You smelly, thick-skinned fool!*

| Column 1     | Column 2        | Column 3       |
|--------------|-----------------|----------------|
| artless      | base-court      | apple-john     |
| bawdy        | bat-fowling     | baggage        |
| beslubbering | beef-witted     | barnacle       |
| bootless     | beetle-headed   | bladder        |
| churlish     | boil-brained    | boar-pig       |
| cockered     | clapper-clawed  | bugbear        |
| clouted      | clay-brained    | bum-bailey     |
| craven       | common-kissing  | canker-blossom |
| currish      | crook-pated     | clack-dish     |
| dankish      | dismal-dreaming | clotpole       |
| dissembling  | dizzy-eyed      | coxcomb        |
| droning      | doghearted      | codpiece       |
| errant       | dread-bolted    | death-token    |
| fawning      | earth-vexing    | dewberry       |
| fobbing      | elf-skinned     | flap-dragon    |
| froward      | fat-kidneyed    | flax-wench     |
| frothy       | fen-sucked      | flirt-gill     |
| gleeking     | flap-mouthed    | foot-licker    |
| goatish      | fly-bitten      | fustilarian    |
| gorbellied   | folly-fallen    | giglet         |
| impertinent  | fool-born       | gudgeon        |
| infectious   | full-gorged     | haggard        |
| jarring      | guts-gripping   | harpy          |
| loggerheaded | half-faced      | hedge-pig      |
| lumpish      | hasty-witted    | horn-beast     |
| mammering    | hedge-born      | hugger-mugger  |
| mangled      | hell-hated      | joithead       |
| mewling      | idle-headed     | lewdster       |
| paunchy      | ill-breeding    | lout           |
| pribbling    | ill-nurtured    | maggot-pie     |
| puking       | knotty-pated    | malt-worm      |
| puny         | milk-livered    | mammet         |
| qualling     | motley-minded   | measle         |
| rank         | onion-eyed      | minnow         |
| reeky        | plume-plucked   | miscreant      |
| roguish      | pottle-deep     | oldwarp        |
| ruttish      | pox-marked      | mumble-news    |
| saucy        | reeling-ripe    | nut-hook       |
| spleeny      | rough-hewn      | pigeon-egg     |
| spongy       | rude-growing    | pignut         |
| surly        | rump-fed        | puttock        |
| tottering    | shard-borne     | pumpion        |
| unmuzzled    | sheep-biting    | ratsbane       |
| vain         | spur-galled     | scut           |
| venomed      | swag-bellied    | skainsmate     |
| villainous   | tardy-gaited    | strumpet       |
| warped       | tickle-brained  | varlot         |
| wayward      | toad-spotted    | vassal         |
| weedy        | unchin-snouted  | why-face       |
| yeasty       | weather-bitten  | wagtail        |

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