The Renaissance period in England is often hailed as Shakespeare's peak. Shakespeare wrote many of his plays during the Renaissance period, and his works were influenced by various aspects of the period. In his play "Hamlet," for example, Shakespeare uses the theme of patronage in the Renaissance period, as it was common for nobility to support and sponsor artists. Shakespeare's writing also expanded vocabulary and language, contributing over 3,000 new words to the English language. His works continue to be studied and performed today, making him a key figure in the Renaissance period.