

Love Crashers

The movie wedding crashers is about two friends, John and Jeremy, who spend their fun time crashing weddings but at this specific wedding, John falls in love with one of the bridesmaids. The play the Taming of the Shrew is about two men named Petruchio and Lucentio who go to extremes in order to get the woman of their desire. While the movie and the play are extremely different, in both we see men trying to win a woman over by deceiving her simply so they can win her over.

Act 1, Scene 1, lines 188 - 190

Lucentio: *Ah, Tranio, what a cruel fathers he! But art thou not advised he took some care to get her cunning schoolmasters to instruct her?*

In this line we see Lucentio being to plot on how to get the woman he wants, Bianca. He plans to act like a school teacher in order to get close to Bianca so he can woo her as he pleases. This is an example of a male thinking deception is ok in courtship and dating. Rather than introducing himself to her, Lucentio is trying to pretend to be someone he is not.

Coincidentally, John and Jeremy do the same thing in wedding crashers



While John and Jeremy are at the wedding, John convinces Jeremy to pretend to be family friends in order to go back to the family's home so John can try to get a chance to win over the girl he wants. This is very similar to the play because we see both characters pretending to be someone they're not in order to get the girl

that they want.



In this part of the movie, John and Jeremy are frustrated at their failed attempts so Jeremy reminds John what their main goal is. Jeremy isn't in love so sex is the only thing he wants. John on the other hand is in love and he wants more than sex. This is similar to the play because both Jeremy and Petruchio want a woman for something other than love

Act 1, Scene 2, Lines 66-68

Petruchio: Few words suffice; and therefore, if thou know

One rich enough to be Petruchio's wife

As wealth is burden of my wooing dance

In this quote we see that Petruchio doesn't want love, he just wants a wife that has money. He feels that the woman he marries has to be worthy enough for him. Just like Jeremy, Petruchio doesn't want love. Petruchio wants money and Jeremy wants sex.

The Wedding Crashers and the Taming of the Shrew both have male main characters that have unorthodox ways of trying to get what they want. In the wedding crashers Jeremy just wants sex. This is like Petruchio in the Shrew

because all he wants is money. These men feel don't care about love. The other two main male characters are a little different. In the Wedding Crashers and the Shrew we see John and Lucentio fall in love at first sight.