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Polyptoton



Shakespearean Polyptoton

1. What is polyptoton?

2. Read the lines below from Shakespeare's play *Troilus and Cressida*:

"The Greeks are strong, and skillful to their strength, fierce to their skill, and to their fierceness valiant ..."

What are the polyptotons in the lines?

3. Read the lines below from Shakespeare's play *Richard II*:

"With eager feeding food doth choke the feeder ..."

What are the polyptotons in the lines?
