This page contains the original text of Hamlet, Act 1, Scene 1: FRANCISCO at his post. Enter to him BERNARDO. BERNARDO: Who's there? FRANCISCO Nay, answer me: stand, and unfold yourself. But soft, behold! lo, where it comes again! Re-enter Ghost. I'll cross it, though it blast me. Stay, illusion! If thou hast any sound, or use of voice, Speak to me: If there be any good thing to be done, That may to thee do ease and grace to me, Speak to me: Cock crows. If thou art privy to thy country's fate, Which, happily, foreknowing may avoid, O, speak! Or if thou hast uphoarded in thy life Extorted treasure in the womb of earth, For which, they say, you spirits oft walk in death, Speak of it: stay, and speak! Stop it, Marcellus. Actually understand Shakespeare, with side-by-side modern English translations of every Shakespeare play, sonnet, and longer poem. Hamlet avenges his father’s murder in Shakespeare’s famous tragedy, translated here into modern English. Henry IV, Part 1. Shakespeare’s history play features Falstaff and Prince Hal's hijinks.