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***Romeo and Juliet***

Read this extract from *Act 1 Scene 5* of Romeo and Julietand then answer the question that follows.

At this point in the play Romeo and Juliet are having their first conversation.

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| **ROMEO**[To JULIET] If I profane with my unworthiest handThis holy shrine, the gentle fine is this:My lips, two blushing pilgrims, ready standTo smooth that rough touch with a tender kiss.**JULIET**5Good pilgrim, you do wrong your hand too much,Which mannerly devotion shows in this;For saints have hands that pilgrims' hands do touch,And palm to palm is holy palmers' kiss.**ROMEO**Have not saints lips, and holy palmers too?**JULIET**10Ay, pilgrim, lips that they must use in prayer.**ROMEO**O, then, dear saint, let lips do what hands do;They pray, grant thou, lest faith turn to despair.**JULIET**Saints do not move, though grant for prayers' sake.**ROMEO**Then move not, while my prayer's effect I take.15Thus from my lips, by yours, my sin is purged.**JULIET**Then have my lips the sin that they have took.**ROMEO**Sin from thy lips? O trespass sweetly urged!Give me my sin again.**JULIET**You kiss by the book**.**.20 |

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In this extract, explain how far you think Shakespeare presents Romeo and Juliet as a couple in love.

Write about:

• how Shakespeare presents Romeo and Juliet’s relationship in this extract.

You should refer to language and structure.

**Turn over for the next question**

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