mother's remarriage.

king lear abdicates his throne. hamlet's throne is usurped through his
predominantly renaissance christian humanist.

king lear contains a predominance of the machiavellian viewpoint. hamlet
contains no fool. hamlet contains no fool.

king lear is set in england. hamlet is set in denmark.

 Lear is a king. hamlet is a prince.

 Lear is mad. hamlet's madness is a joke.

Differences

Lear and Hamlet both have members of the royal family killed with poison.

Lear refers to Albany. Hamlet refers to Ophelia.

Lear and Hamlet both have instances of murder within the royal family.

Both tragedies show the machinations of the courts of its day.

Both tragedies exhibit a sense of humor.

Both kings, Lear and Hamlet are mad.

Similarities

Similarities and Differences between king Lear and Hamlet

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