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## Week One: L1 – Characterisation of Macbeth

### The Characterisation of Macbeth

Monday, 30 March 2020

LO: to examine and explain the transformation of Macbeth

#### Knowledge Test:

1. When we first meet Macbeth, he is the Thane of...
2. King Duncan then awards Macbeth the title of Thane of...
3. Tyrant. In other words,...
4. "For \_\_\_\_\_ Macbeth – well he \_\_\_\_\_ that name"
5. Macbeth is eventually killed by...



Vocabulary: **tyrant**   **honourable**   **dishonourable**   **ambition**

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#### Key Vocabulary:



#### Tyrant

a cruel or unfair leader



#### Predator

an animal that naturally **targets**  
and **harms** others



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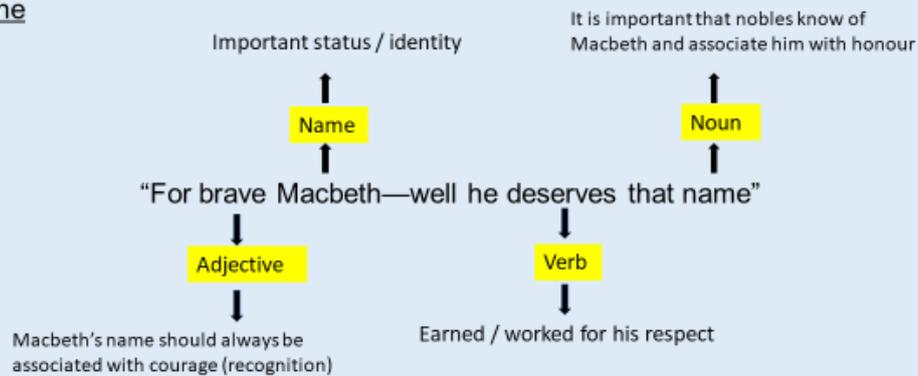
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### Act One



**Task of the day:** Explain **how far** you think Shakespeare presents Macbeth as a villain.

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### Act Four



**Task of the day:** Explain **how far** you think Shakespeare presents Macbeth as a villain.

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## **2a. Planning what we will say: This is how to plan**

**Topic Sentence (Point)** At the beginning of the play, we are introduced to Macbeth as an honourable hero who defeats the treacherous Macdonald.

For example, (introduce) “for brave Macbeth – well he deserves that name”.

In other words, ....

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Closing Sentence: Therefore, A Jacobean audience are likely to...

## **2b. My example: This is what I would have put in my plan (look at the red) I used the slide earlier to help me.**

**Topic Sentence (Point)** At the beginning of the play, we are introduced to Macbeth as an honourable hero who defeats the treacherous Macdonald.

For example, this is explored when Shakespeare writes “for brave Macbeth – well he deserves that name”.

In other words, Macbeth = respected, dignified reputation as someone who fights for his King and country.

1. adjective - brave
2. name - status
3. verb - deserved

Closing Sentence: Therefore, A Jacobean audience are likely to view Macbeth as a loyal subject to his King who was considered to be God’s representative.

## **2c. Model of how your paragraph should look: This is how I have put our plan into full sentences.**

At the beginning of the play, we are introduced to Macbeth as an honourable hero who defeats the treacherous Macdonald. For example, the audience first hears of Macbeth when Shakespeare writes “for brave Macbeth – well he deserves that name”. In other words, Macbeth has fought courageously in battle which is something to be respected. More specifically, Shakespeare’s use of the name “Macbeth” here is important in presenting the character as important, as we hear his name and must know who he is. Further to that, the adjective “brave” presents Macbeth to show honourable courage when protecting his country. Following this, Shakespeare then writes that Macbeth ‘deserves’ his honourable reputation, which is a verb showing a man who has worked for and earned respect, as opposed to just being awarded with it. A Jacobean audience are likely to admire Macbeth’s character as he proves himself as a protector of the King who at that time was considered to be the representative of God on earth.

3. **Application Task:** Complete your own paragraph. Explain how far you think Shakespeare presents Macbeth as a villain.

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**3a. Planning what we will say:**

*Create your own plan for the second quote.*

**Topic Sentence (Point):** *In act 4, we learn that Macbeth is now...*

**For example,**  
once thought honest”.

“This tyrant, whose sole name blisters our tongues, was

**In other words, ...**

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Closing Sentence: **Therefore, A Jacobean audience are likely to now...**

**3b: Complete the Application Task in full using your plan to help you put it into full sentences.**

However, at the end of the play, we learn that Macbeth is now...

For example, the audience hears Malcolm...

In other words,

More specifically, Shakespeare’s use of the (method) “\_\_\_\_\_” here suggests...

Further to that, the (method) “\_\_\_\_\_” presents Macbeth as...

Following this, Shakespeare then writes...

A Jacobean audience are likely to...

***Now save your Assignment using your name and turn it in back to me via Microsoft Teams.***

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Answers:

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2. King Duncan then awards Macbeth the title of Thane of... **Cawdor**
3. Tyrant. In other words,... **Cruel or unfair leader**
4. "For \_\_\_\_\_ Macbeth – well he \_\_\_\_\_ that name" **brave, deserves**
5. Macbeth is eventually killed by... **Macduff**

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Ideas of murder



Murder of King  
Duncan



Slaughter of  
Macduff's family



Assassination of  
Banquo



Murder of Young  
Siward

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