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About the Author

William Shakespeare was born in 1564, in Stratford-on-Avon, a city in England. His mother's name was Mary Arden. His father, John, was a wealthy businessman. There is very little known about William Shakespeare's early life. It is believed that he attended a local grammar school where the students learned Latin, public speaking, and religion. Shakespeare married Anne Hathaway in 1582. They had three children, Susanna, Hamnet, and Judith. In 1584, Shakespeare left Stratford and went to London.

By 1592, Shakespeare was a well-known actor and playwright. In 1599, Shakespeare, along with others, opened up the Globe Theatre. In the early 1600's, Shakespeare's company worked under King James I and became known as the King's Men. In 1608, the King's Men acquired the Blackfriars Theatre, which became their winter home. In 1613, the Globe was destroyed in a fire and was rebuilt a year later. However, by that time, Shakespeare had retired from writing. Shakespeare died in his hometown of Stratford on April 23, 1616.

Interdisciplinary Teaching Suggestions

Language Arts:

Be a Critic: Create a classroom critic's corner. Break students up into ten groups. Allow each group to read a chapter before the class and prepare a critique just like the movies!

Create a Diary based on Shakespeare's Characters: Students must choose a character from the story. After reading each chapter, students should write a diary entry on their character's feelings based on the events in the story.

Math:

Create a Bar Graph: What professions were available in Shakespeare's time? What were the average salaries paid? Create a bar graph.

Create a Pie Chart: Research the population of London and the distribution of wealth during Shakespeare's time. Create a pie chart.

Science:

Health Issues during Shakespeare's Time: Create a newspaper for Shakespeare's London. Report on the average lifespan of men and women. In 1592 the Plague killed 15,000 people in London. Report on the cause and effect of the Plague. Report on other health concerns for the people of the time.

Social Studies:

Compare Queens and Kings: Shakespeare wrote and performed plays for Queen Elizabeth I and then King James I. How were the monarchies of the Queen and King different?

General:

Create an Interdisciplinary Classroom Museum of Artifacts from Shakespeare's Story: Research, create, and detail the purpose and significance of each student's artifact in relation to the story.

Create a Classroom Bulletin Board: Break up students into small groups. Make each group responsible for an area of the bulletin board that pertains to the story. Create a story cluster describing literary elements from the story, for example setting, characters, and plot.

WORDS USED

Story 1	Story 2	Story 3	Story 4	Story 5
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KEY WORDS

battle	castle	cruel	ashamed	enemy
punish	chosen	duty	dangerous	kingdom
soldier	future	guest	deed	peace
sword	human	protect	nature	royal
thunder	messenger	servant	porter	suspect
witch	success	wine	pray	yesterday

NECESSARY WORDS

bleeding	betray	dagger	amen	advice
foul	evil	false	devil	descendants
hail	innocent	guilty	distract	disguise
leader	kindness	host	God	soul
rebel	loyal	justice	grave	
	tempt	torch	horror	
			murder	
			vague	

Story 6	Story 7	Story 8	Story 9	Story 10
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KEY WORDS

ghost	death	comfort	crazy	avoid
health	disgrace	control	disease	banner
perfect	lord	defend	medicine	creep
spy	riddles	honest	obey	screen
stomach	ruin	savage	threaten	victory
stool	wicked	stranger	weary	wound

NECESSARY WORDS

rank	charm	grief	armor	bough
revenge	double	liar	conscience	idiot
sickness	helmet	rumors	dwarf	
	security	traitor	memory	
	toil			
	vision			

The Battle for Scotland

PREPARATION

Key Words

battle	(bat 1)	a fight between armies <i>This <u>battle</u> will decide which army owns the land.</i>
punish	(pun 1sh)	to cause pain or make someone feel bad for doing something wrong <i>The judge wanted to <u>punish</u> the thief for stealing the money from the children.</i>
soldier	(s1l 1j1r)	someone who fights in an army <i>The new <u>soldier</u> was afraid to fight in his first battle.</i>
sword	(s1rd)	a long, sharp blade used for fighting <i>The soldier struck the knight with his <u>sword</u>.</i>
thunder	(thun 1d1r)	the loud noise that follows lightning, caused by electricity in the air <i>Mary thought she heard <u>thunder</u>, but it was only a passing train.</i>
witch	(w1ch)	a woman who uses magic <i>The children were frightened when the <u>witch</u> flew on stage.</i>

The Battle for Scotland

Necessary Words

bleeding	(blēd'ing)	losing blood through a break in the skin <i>After Paul stepped on a nail, he stopped the <u>bleeding</u> with a piece of cloth.</i>
foul	(foul)	1. dirty, smelly <i>We washed the boat to get rid of the <u>foul</u> smell of the fish.</i> 2. bad <i>The thief's <u>foul</u> plan was stopped when the officer caught him sneaking around.</i>
hail	(hāl)	to welcome with great respect <i>"<u>Hail</u>, Captain!" the sailors shouted when the captain arrived.</i>
leader	(lē'dər)	the person who decides what happens in a group <i>Fran was chosen to be the <u>leader</u> of the team.</i>
rebel	(reb'əl)	to go against the people in charge <i>The <u>rebel</u> workers did not come to work.</i>

People

Banquo	a good soldier serving the king, and he is Macbeth's best friend
Duncan	the King of Scotland
Macbeth	the Thane of Glamis, a strong soldier, and part of the king's family (a thane is a man who receives land from a king and must serve the king in return)

Places

Cawdor	an area in northeast Scotland that belonged to the Thane of Cawdor before he betrayed King Duncan
Glamis	an area near Cawdor that belongs to Macbeth's family
Norway	a country to the north of, and across the sea from Scotland
Scotland	a country to the north of England that shares the same island

The Battle for Scotland



As the bloody battle raged on, the three witches wait.

- Preview:**
1. Read the name of the story.
 2. Look at the picture.
 3. Read the sentence under the picture.
 4. Read the first three paragraphs of the story.
 5. Then answer the following question.

You learned from your preview that the three witches wanted to

- a. start a storm.
- b. watch the battle.
- c. fight in the battle.
- d. meet Macbeth.

Turn to the Comprehension Check on page 10 for the right answer.

Now read the story.

Read on to find out what the witches tell Macbeth.

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“When shall we meet again?” the first witch asked her sisters. Thunder shook the ground under their feet. Light flashed across the dark clouds above. In the field next to them, thousands of men and horses were pressed together in a bloody battle.

“We will meet after the battle’s lost and won,” said the second witch. The witches were not curious about which army would win. They were only interested in one man.

The third witch scratched at the thick hair growing on her face. “After the battle we will meet Macbeth,” she said.

“My cat is calling,” said the first witch.

“I hear my frog,” said the second witch.

“Fair is foul, and foul is fair,” the witches sang. “Fly through the fog and dirty air.”

As the wind carried the witches away, the King of Scotland listened to a soldier in a camp below. King Duncan had silver hair and a kind face. The soldier had just come from the battle and was covered with blood. He told how the rebel army had been winning over the king’s forces. Then brave Macbeth, one of the king’s thanes, cut his way through the rebel soldiers with his sword. He did not stop until he faced the rebel leader. With one blow of his sword, Macbeth killed him. He cut off the leader’s head.

“Good, Macbeth!” said the king.

The rebel soldiers were not the only ones fighting Duncan. The King of Norway wanted part of Scotland too. After Macbeth killed the rebel leader, the King of Norway sent his soldiers into battle. Macbeth had to fight even harder.

As they carried the bleeding soldier away, Duncan saw another of his thanes coming off the field. The thane told how Macbeth had been fighting the King of Norway, sword against sword. Macbeth won. Now the King of Norway was waiting for Duncan so he could gather his dead and leave for home.

Duncan had to worry about one of his own thanes first. The Thane of Cawdor had turned against Scotland to help Norway. “I trusted and loved him,” Duncan told his men, “but now I have to punish him. He can’t be allowed to live. Macbeth will be the new Thane of Cawdor. Find Macbeth and tell him.”

The three witches would find Macbeth before the king’s men would. They waited for him on a lonely path. The sound of thunder rolled through the rocky hills around them.

“Where have you been sister?” asked the first witch.

“Killing pigs,” answered the second witch.

The third witch said, “A sailor’s wife was eating nuts. She chased me away when I told her to give them to me. Her husband is the master of a ship, and I will punish her by punishing him. I will sail after him...”

“We’ll make the winds push you faster,” her sisters offered.

The third witch added, “Storms will toss his ship so he won’t be able to sleep day or night...” The third witch stopped talking when she heard the beat of a drum. “A drum, a drum! Macbeth will come!”

The drum could be heard between the crashes of thunder. Macbeth and his friend Banquo were on their way to the king’s palace.

“I have never seen a day so

foul and fair,” said Macbeth.

Suddenly, Banquo cried, “What are these?” as they came upon the three witches. “They are all dried up and wear strange clothing. They might be women, but their beards make me think they can’t be!”

“Speak, if you can. What are you?” asked Macbeth.

“All hail, Macbeth, Thane of Glamis!” cried the first witch.

“All hail, Macbeth, Thane of Cawdor!” cried the second.

“All hail, Macbeth, who shall be the King of Scotland!” cried the third.

“Good sir, why do you seem to fear things that sound so good?” Banquo asked Macbeth. Then Banquo turned to the witches. “You gave Macbeth such great hope, that he can’t speak. If you can look into the seeds of time and say which seed will grow, and which will not, speak then to me.”

“Banquo and Macbeth, all hail!” the witches cried.

“You are not as great as Macbeth, yet you are greater!” the first witch said to Banquo.

“You will not be given as much, yet you will have more,” added the second.

“You will not be King, yet you will be the father of kings!” said the third.

After the witches finished speaking to Banquo, Macbeth wanted to know more about himself. “Your story isn’t complete,” Macbeth told them. “After my father died I became the Thane of Glamis. The Thane of Cawdor is alive, but you call me by his name. How will I become Thane of Cawdor? How will I become King? Where did you get these strange ideas?” As Macbeth asked his questions, the witches disappeared.

The Battle for Scotland

COMPREHENSION CHECK

Preview Answer:
d. meet Macbeth.

Choose the best answer.

1. In the beginning of the battle, who was winning?
 - a. Scotland
 - b. The rebel army
 - c. The three witches
 - d. Norway

2. When Macbeth cut his way through the rebel army, he killed
 - a. the Thane of Glamis.
 - b. the King of Norway.
 - c. the rebel leader.
 - d. King Duncan.

3. Who turned against Scotland to help Norway?
 - a. The Thane of Cawdor
 - b. The Thane of Glamis
 - c. The Thane of Scotland
 - d. The Thane of Norway

4. Banquo wasn't sure if the witches were women because
 - a. they were bloody.
 - b. it was dark and stormy.
 - c. they were too far away.
 - d. they had beards.

5. The witches told Macbeth that one day he would
 - a. be the King of Scotland.
 - b. be the King of Norway.
 - c. kill the King of Scotland.
 - d. kill the King of Norway.

6. How did Macbeth feel about what the witches said would happen?
 - a. He was excited.
 - b. He seemed happy.
 - c. He seemed afraid.
 - d. He was angry.

7. The witches told Banquo that one day he would be
 - a. killed in battle.
 - b. the King of Norway.
 - c. the King of Scotland.
 - d. the father of kings.

8. Macbeth became the Thane of Glamis because
 - a. he killed the first Thane.
 - b. the first Thane ran away.
 - c. his father died.
 - d. the king surprised him.

9. Another name for this story could be
 - a. "The Promises of Witches."
 - b. "Killing Pigs."
 - c. "The Thane Dies."
 - d. "The King is Killed."

10. This story is mainly about
 - a. the king being killed.
 - b. three witches telling what will happen to Macbeth and Banquo.
 - c. a soldier killed in battle.
 - d. life in Scotland.

Check your answers with the key on page 67.

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The Battle for Scotland

VOCABULARY CHECK

battle	punish	soldier	sword	thunder	witch
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I. Sentences to Finish

Fill in the blank in each sentence with the correct word from the box above.

1. We ran into the house after we heard the roar of _____.
2. It was a long and bloody _____.
3. The _____ cried when he learned his friend died in battle.
4. I was a _____ for Halloween last year.
5. My mother had to _____ my brother because he wasn't behaving.
6. Long ago, knights would use a _____ to fight in battle.

II. Word Search

All the words from the box above are hidden in the puzzle below. They may be written from left to right, up and down, or on an angle. As you find each word, put a circle around it. One word, that is not a key word, has been done for you.

B	L	U	E	K	C	S	H
B	P	T	L	L	B	O	D
V	U	S	T	O	A	L	R
B	N	O	T	H	T	D	O
M	I	K	H	C	T	I	W
G	S	I	B	V	L	E	S
T	H	U	N	D	E	R	U
D	H	U	M	D	Z	X	T

Check your answers with the key on page 69.

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The Thane of Cawdor

PREPARATION

Key Words

castle	(kas´əl)	a large building with thick walls built around it <i>The rebel army planned to take over the <u>castle</u> by digging tunnels under the walls.</i>
chosen	(chō´zn)	picked out <i>Have you <u>chosen</u> which book you will read for your report?</i>
future	(fyü´chər)	the time which will come; what is to come <i>The farmer packed away some seeds so he could plant them in the <u>future</u>.</i>
human	(hyü´mən)	of man; like a man; belonging to mankind <i>A <u>human</u> being is able to know the difference between right and wrong.</i>
messenger	(mes´n jər)	someone who tells what has been happening in another place <i>When the telephone lines went down, they asked Robin to be a <u>messenger</u> between the two buildings.</i>
success	(sək ses´)	reaching what you aimed for, or worked for <i>When he got the new job, he called his mother to tell her of his <u>success</u>.</i>

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Necessary Words

betray	(bi trā´)	to turn against someone or something <i>When the girls asked what Lisa’s secret was, Janice would not <u>betray</u> Lisa’s trust.</i>
desires	(dī zīrz´)	strong wishes <i>Nothing in life will ever make Joan happy because she <u>desires</u> too many things.</i>
evil	(ē´vəl)	very bad; to cause harm <i>When Pat felt cold hands trying to push her down the stairs, she knew the spirit was <u>evil</u>.</i>
innocent	(in´ə sənt)	doing no wrong or evil <i>When the money was found in the thief’s car, it proved Martin was <u>innocent</u>.</i>
kindness	(kīnd´nis)	being good and kind <i>The family showed the lost boy great <u>kindness</u> by helping him find his family.</i>
loyal	(loi´əl)	true and faithful <i>Stephen was a <u>loyal</u> servant to the king.</i>
tempt	(tempt)	to try to make someone do or want something <i>Paul tried to <u>tempt</u> Brian into giving him the toy by offering him some candy.</i>

People

Angus	a Scottish thane
Lady Macbeth	Macbeth’s wife
Malcolm	King Duncan’s older son
Rosse	another Scottish thane

The Thane of Cawdor



“You shall be King,” Banquo said to Macbeth.

- Preview:**
1. Read the name of the story.
 2. Look at the picture.
 3. Read the sentence under the picture.
 4. Read the first five paragraphs of the story.
 5. Then answer the following question.

You learned from your preview that Macbeth and Banquo

- a. disappeared like a breath of wind.
- b. were killed.
- c. talked about the witches' promises.
- d. had a fight.

Turn to the Comprehension Check on page 16 for the right answer.

Now read the story.

Read on to find out who becomes the Thane of Cawdor.

The Thane of Cawdor

“Where did they go?” Banquo asked after the witches disappeared.

“Into the air; and what seemed real, melted, as breath into the wind,” Macbeth said. “I wish they had stayed!”

Banquo couldn't think of the witches as human. “Were those things really here, or did something make us both imagine them?”

“Your children shall be kings,” said Macbeth.

“You shall be King,” replied Banquo.

“And Thane of Cawdor too,” said Macbeth. They heard voices behind them. Two of the king's thanes, Rosse and Angus, were following them.

“Duncan heard about your success in battle,” Rosse said to Macbeth. “Messenger after messenger brought word of how you won over two armies in one day. To thank you, Duncan has named you Thane of Cawdor.”

Banquo remembered what the witches said. Surprised by this news, Banquo thought to himself, *Can evil speak the truth?*

“But, the Thane of Cawdor is alive,” said Macbeth. “To call me by his name is like dressing me in borrowed robes.”

“The old thane tried to betray the king and will be punished,” said Angus. “Duncan has chosen you to take his place.”

“The witches that made me Thane of Cawdor promised your children would be future kings,” Macbeth whispered to Banquo.

“Sometimes evil wins our trust by telling the truth,” said Banquo, “then evil betrays us over more important matters.”

Macbeth stood alone while Banquo spoke with Rosse and Angus. *The witches came to tempt me*, thought Macbeth. *This*

cannot be good. I am Thane of Cawdor. But now I am tempted to do something awful. I imagine myself killing Duncan. My heart beats with a fear I never felt in battle. Now I can't see what is around me, only what might be.

The others thought Macbeth was caught up by feelings over Duncan's reward to him. Macbeth noticed they were waiting for him. He tried to forget his evil thoughts.

If chance will have me King, why, chance may crown me without my help, thought Macbeth. *It is out of my hands.*

While Macbeth and the others made their way across the rocky hills, Duncan waited at his palace. Malcolm, Duncan's older son, told the king that Cawdor had been killed.

“I trusted him completely. There is no way to judge a man's thoughts from his face,” Duncan replied sadly. Just then, Macbeth and the others arrived at the palace. “Macbeth! I will never be able to pay you back for all you have done for me,” said Duncan.

“All I need is to serve you,” said Macbeth. “I will always be loyal to you. You deserve the same from all of us.”

Duncan wiped his eyes. “Don't think I am crying from sadness. It is my joy to tell you I have chosen my son Malcolm to be King after I die. I will also reward the loyal thanes who helped me. Greatness, like stars, shall shine on all who deserve.”

Macbeth was disappointed. Now Malcolm was in his way of becoming King. *My eyes must hide my black and deep desires.*

At Macbeth's castle, Macbeth's wife received a letter from him about the witches. **THEY KNOW THINGS BEYOND THE HUMAN WORLD**, the letter read.

Macbeth is Thane of Glamis and Cawdor, and he will be king! thought Lady Macbeth, as her mind and heart began to fill with evil and greed. *But Macbeth has been fed with too much milk of human kindness. He wants success, but he won't do anything bad to get it faster. Hurry home, Macbeth, so my words can clear your way to the crown!*

A messenger came into the room. “The King comes to visit tonight,” he said.

“Isn't Macbeth with the King? He would have let me know if the King were coming.”

The messenger explained Macbeth was on his way to the castle and then left the room.

Duncan will never leave this castle, Lady Macbeth thought. “Come, you spirits, enter my body! Fill me from the crown to the toe with evil!” she cried out. “Make me strong so I can do what I need to do without worry of human kindness to hold me back. Come, thick night, do not let heaven peep through the blanket of dark to cry ‘Hold, hold!’”

Lady Macbeth heard her husband come into the room. “Oh Macbeth, your letters take me beyond the present. I feel the future now!”

“My dearest love, Duncan is coming tonight,” said Macbeth.

“And, when does he leave?”

“Tomorrow,” said Macbeth.

“Oh, the sun will never see that day!” said Lady Macbeth. “Your face, my thane, is a book every man can read. To fool the world, welcome the King and his men here. Look like the innocent flower, but be the snake hiding under it. Leave all the rest to me. Let me plan for tonight. And, tomorrow you will be King!”

The Thane of Cawdor

COMPREHENSION CHECK

Choose the best answer.

Preview Answer:

c. talked about the witches' promises.

1. To thank Macbeth for success in battle, King Duncan made Macbeth
 - a. rich.
 - b. the Thane of Cawdor.
 - c. a robe.
 - d. the king.
2. The *old* Thane of Cawdor was being punished because he tried to
 - a. kill Macbeth.
 - b. betray Rosse.
 - c. betray King Duncan.
 - d. kill Banquo.
3. After Macbeth becomes the Thane of Cawdor, he
 - a. imagines killing King Duncan.
 - b. cries.
 - c. imagines killing Banquo.
 - d. kills the *old* Thane of Cawdor.
4. The *old* Thane of Cawdor was punished
 - a. by the witches.
 - b. for a short time.
 - c. with Rosse.
 - d. by being killed.
5. Duncan was crying because
 - a. he lost the battle.
 - b. his son Malcolm was killed.
 - c. the witches frightened him.
 - d. he had chosen Malcolm to be the next King.
6. After hearing the news that Malcolm would become King, Macbeth was
 - a. happy.
 - b. disappointed.
 - c. excited.
 - d. scared.
7. Besides Macbeth and Banquo, who else knows about the witches?
 - a. King Duncan
 - b. Malcolm
 - c. Lady Macbeth
 - d. Rosse
8. What does Lady Macbeth mean when she says, "Duncan will never leave this castle?"
 - a. He will be killed.
 - b. He will get lost.
 - c. He will be too happy to leave.
 - d. The witches will make him vanish.
9. Another name for this story could be
 - a. "Lady Macbeth Vanishes."
 - b. "Innocent Lady Macbeth."
 - c. "Macbeth's Evil Greed."
 - d. "Banquo Becomes King."
10. This story is mainly about
 - a. Banquo's children becoming King.
 - b. Macbeth wanting to become King.
 - c. Lady Macbeth and the messenger.
 - d. Rosse's success in battle.

Check your answers with the key on page 67.

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The Thane of Cawdor

VOCABULARY CHECK

castle	chosen	future	human	messenger	success
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I. Sentences to Finish

Fill in the blank in each sentence with the correct word from the box above.

1. Long ago, important news was delivered by _____.
2. The king and queen threw a costume party at the _____.
3. Money is not the only way to judge a person's _____.
4. It isn't fair for the club to allow only a _____ few to become members.
5. We need to take care of the environment for our _____.
6. _____ beings need to take care of each other to make this a better world.

II. Matching

Write the letter of the correct meaning from Column B next to the key word in Column A.

Column A

- _____ 1. human
- _____ 2. castle
- _____ 3. success
- _____ 4. chosen
- _____ 5. messenger
- _____ 6. future

Column B

- a. reaching what you aimed for
- b. picked out
- c. a large building with walls built around it
- d. what is to come
- e. someone who brings news to other places
- f. of man; like a man; belonging to mankind

Check your answers with the key on page 69.

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A Dagger in the Night

PREPARATION

Key Words

cruel	(krü´əl)	able to take joy in harming others; mean <i>The <u>cruel</u> man kicked the dog and laughed.</i>
duty	(dü´tē)	something a person should do; the thing that is right to do <i>Becky felt it was her <u>duty</u> to pick up the broken glass from the sidewalk.</i>
guest	(gest)	someone who visits <i>Grandmother served her <u>guest</u> warm apple pie with ice-cream.</i>
protect	(prə tēkt´)	to keep from harm <i>Dale gave Cindy his coat to <u>protect</u> her from the cold.</i>
servant	(sēr´vənt)	someone who works for another person <i>“Pack my clothes for the trip,” the queen told her <u>servant</u>.</i>
wine	(wīn)	a drink made from the juice of grapes <i>Laura served white <u>wine</u> with dinner.</i>

A Dagger in the Night

Necessary Words

dagger	(dag'ər)	a short, pointed blade, sometimes used to cause harm <i>Phil cut his fishing-line with a <u>dagger</u> to set the fish free.</i>
false	(fōls)	not true <i>When the teacher found out Jim's story about losing his homework was <u>false</u>, he was punished.</i>
guilty	(gil'tē)	knowing or showing you have done something wrong <i>Sarah felt <u>guilty</u> about lying to her mother.</i>
host	(hōst)	someone who takes care of his guests <i>When the guests came to the party, their <u>host</u> met them at the door.</i>
justice	(jus'tis)	fairness <i>When the thief went to prison, <u>justice</u> was served.</i>
torch	(tôrch)	a piece of wood that burns on one end to give light <i>We feared the deep cave didn't have enough air when the <u>torch</u> began to go out.</i>

People

Fleance Banquo's son

Places

Hell a hot, fiery, unhappy place where people are punished for the bad things they did during life

A Dagger in the Night



Lady Macbeth comes to the gate to meet her guest.

- Preview:**
1. Read the name of the story.
 2. Look at the picture.
 3. Read the sentence under the picture.
 4. Read the first two paragraphs of the story.
 5. Then answer the following question.

You learned from your preview that Lady Macbeth's guest is

- a. King Duncan.
- b. Macbeth.
- c. Banquo.
- d. her husband.

Turn to the Comprehension Check on page 22 for the right answer.

Now read the story.

Read on to find out why Macbeth can't eat.

A Dagger in the Night

As Duncan and his men waited in front of Macbeth's castle, the flame burning in Banquo's torch trembled in the breeze. "Do you see that bird? It likes to build nests in churches. They live and raise their young where the air is sweet and gentle," said Banquo.

Lady Macbeth came to the gate to welcome them. Hand in hand, Lady Macbeth and her guest, King Duncan, went inside to find Macbeth.

But Macbeth was so bothered by the evil plan he arranged with his wife, he couldn't stay near the king. Brushing past a servant carrying wine to the table, Macbeth left the feast they were giving Duncan.

If only it could be done quickly! If only we could kill Duncan, have our success, and rest in that! Macbeth knew there were many reasons not to kill his king. In this world, justice punishes by turning our evil plans back on us. It is my duty to protect Duncan. He is my king and part of my family. As his host, I should guard my guest from attack, not use my own dagger against him. Duncan has been such a great king, heaven would cry if he were killed. Macbeth sighed. I can't be so cruel as to take the crown this way.

Lady Macbeth hurried into the room. "Duncan has been asking for you."

"We will not harm him," Macbeth told her. "Duncan has just rewarded me. People respect me. We should enjoy this time."

"Why do your hopes for the crown suddenly make you so pale and sickly?" Lady Macbeth said, angrily. "What about your love

for me? Are you too cowardly to go after what is important to you?"

"Please, stop! I do all that a man should," said Macbeth. "To kill Duncan would make me less than human."

"Human? Was it a beast that made you bring this idea to me in the first place? You must be strong," she said. "I know what it is to love a baby, and to feed it with my own milk. But I would dash it against the wall if I promised that to you."

"What if we fail?" Macbeth asked, sounding tempted.

"When Duncan is asleep, I will bring wine to his servants who protect his bedroom," said Lady Macbeth. "After the wine puts them to sleep, we can do what we want to Duncan. People will think the servants are guilty of killing their master."

"If we use the servants' daggers and cover their hands with blood, they will look even more guilty," said Macbeth.

"We will cry and scream when we are told he is dead."

"It will be done," said Macbeth. "For now, I must pretend to be the innocent host. The false face must hide what the false heart knows."

For the rest of the feast, no one knew the cruel plan the host had for their king. One by one the guests left for their bedrooms. But Banquo and his young son, Fleance wandered through the dark castle.

"The moon has set," said Fleance.

"None of the stars are shining," said Banquo. "I'm tired, but I don't dare sleep. Frightening thoughts come to me when I

rest." A torch moved through the dark towards them. "Who's there?" asked Banquo.

"A friend," replied Macbeth.

"What, sir, you are not at rest yet? The king has gone to bed. He has sent more gifts to thank you for this visit," said Banquo.

"I wish I could have done more," replied Macbeth.

"Last night I dreamed of the witches," said Banquo.

"I don't think of them," Macbeth lied, "but I would like to speak with you about them sometime."

"All right," said Banquo.

"If you help me win my success when the time comes, I will honor you," said Macbeth.

"I must think of my duty to the king first. Then, if it doesn't harm my honor, I will be happy to help you," said Banquo.

Macbeth watched Banquo and his son disappear into the dark on their way to their bedrooms. When he turned, he was startled to see a dagger floating in the air.

Is this a dagger I see before me with the handle turned towards my hand? But the dagger passed through Macbeth's fingers when he tried to grab it. Can you be just a false dagger, imagined by my mind when you seem as real as my own dagger? Wait, it has changed. Now the blade and handle are spotted with blood. There is nothing there, just a trick of the eyes, he told himself

Macbeth heard a bell. Lady Macbeth was signaling to him that it was time. *I must act. Don't hear that bell, Duncan, Macbeth thought. It calls you either to heaven or hell.*

A Dagger in the Night

COMPREHENSION CHECK

Choose the best answer.

Preview Answer:
a. King Duncan.

1. Macbeth left the feast because he
 - a. felt tired.
 - b. was scared.
 - c. wasn't hungry.
 - d. felt guilty about his evil plan.

2. One reason Macbeth did not want to kill Duncan was because
 - a. his wife didn't want him to do it.
 - b. Banquo wanted to do it.
 - c. he was too tired.
 - d. justice turns evil plans back on the people who do evil.

3. Macbeth decided to go forward with his plan to kill Duncan because
 - a. Banquo told him to.
 - b. Lady Macbeth talked him into it.
 - c. Fleance was going to do it anyway.
 - d. a floating dagger came to him.

4. Lady Macbeth and Macbeth could get into Duncan's room after the servants
 - a. cleaned up after the feast.
 - b. put King Duncan to bed.
 - c. drank wine and fell asleep.
 - d. got the dagger.

5. What did Macbeth say would make the servants look *more* guilty?
 - a. To cry and scream when they found out about Duncan's death
 - b. To keep a false face
 - c. To leave the castle
 - d. To use the servant's dagger and cover their hands with blood

6. Fleance is
 - a. Macbeth's son.
 - b. Lady Macbeth's messenger.
 - c. Banquo's son.
 - d. Lady Macbeth's servant.

7. Macbeth says, "The false face must hide what the false heart knows." He means
 - a. his love for Lady Macbeth is not true.
 - b. he has many faces.
 - c. he loves many women.
 - d. even though he knows his evil deeds, he must look innocent.

8. Macbeth says that when he has success, he will honor
 - a. Lady Macbeth.
 - b. Banquo.
 - c. Fleance.
 - d. King Duncan.

9. Another name for this story could be
 - a. "A Feast for King Duncan."
 - b. "The Evil Plan Begins."
 - c. "The Sleeping Servants."
 - d. "Lady Macbeth Meets Duncan."

10. This story is mainly about
 - a. the evil plan to kill King Duncan.
 - b. Banquo's frightening thoughts.
 - c. the King's feast.
 - d. Banquo's dream about the witches.

Check your answers with the key on page 67.

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A Dagger in the Night

VOCABULARY CHECK

cruel	duty	guest	protect	servant	wine
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I. Sentences to Finish

Fill in the blank in each sentence with the correct word from the box above.

- The _____ prepared a bath for the queen.
- On Karen's first day in her new school, the other girls were _____ and did not let her eat lunch with them.
- To be a good _____ when staying at someone's home, you should pick up after yourself.
- My uncle picked the grapes from his vine and made _____.
- To _____ yourself in a car crash, you should always wear a seat belt.
- It is our _____ as human beings, to take care of those who can't take care of themselves.

II. Word Use

Put a check next to YES if the sentence makes sense. Put a check next to NO if the sentence does not make sense.

- Everyone was so **cruel** to give me these presents. _____Yes _____No
- The **servant** asked the queen to clean up her room. _____Yes _____No
- It feels good to be a **guest** in my own home. _____Yes _____No
- It is my **duty** to look after my family. _____Yes _____No
- She likes to drink water instead of **wine** with dinner. _____Yes _____No
- The mother would do anything to **protect** her baby. _____Yes _____No

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A Painted Devil

PREPARATION

Key Words

ashamed	(ə shāmd')	feeling bad for having done something wrong <i>He was <u>ashamed</u> that he was mean to his friend.</i>
dangerous	(dan'jər əs)	something that is not safe or likely to cause harm <i>Raymond knew it was <u>dangerous</u> to ride his bicycle in the middle of the street.</i>
deed	(dēd)	an act that is done <i>To give money to the poor is a good <u>deed</u>.</i>
nature	(nā'chər)	everything in the world that is not made by humans <i>It is important for all people to protect <u>nature</u> from harm.</i>
porter	(pôr'tər)	someone whose job it is to guard a gate or door <i>The <u>porter</u> took my ticket before I boarded the train.</i>
pray	(prā)	to ask God for something <i>The parents joined together to <u>pray</u> for the baby's good health.</i>

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Necessary Words

amen	(a'men') (ä'men')	something said after a prayer that means, "Be it so!" <i>When he finished saying his prayers, Jacob said, "<u>Amen</u>!"</i>
devil	(dev'əl)	the main spirit of evil who some people believe rules hell <i>"Stop him! That <u>devil</u> just stole some candy!" shouted Mr. Kent.</i>
distract	(dis trakt')	disturb; confuse; draw away the mind or attention <i>The noise from radio began to <u>distract</u> him from his studies.</i>
God	(god)	the main spirit of goodness who some people believe is the maker and ruler of the world and heaven <i>Joseph prays to <u>God</u> every night before he goes to sleep.</i>
grave	(grāv)	a hole in the ground where a body is put after a person dies <i>He put his wife's favorite flower, yellow roses, on her <u>grave</u>.</i>
horror	(hôr'ər)	very strong fear <i>Irene screamed with <u>horror</u> as she watched the scary movie.</i>
murder	(mer'dər)	planned killing of another person <i>When he found the dead body, he called the police and cried, "There's been a <u>murder</u>!"</i>
vague	(vāg)	not clear <i>Before reading the directions, Claudia had only a <u>vague</u> idea how to put the bicycle together.</i>

People

Donalbain	the King's younger son
Lennox	a Scottish thane
Macduff	another Scottish thane

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“They have deserted their duty, for sleep,” thought Lady Macbeth.

- Preview:**
1. Read the name of the story.
 2. Look at the picture.
 3. Read the sentence under the picture.
 4. Read the first three paragraphs of the story.
 5. Then answer the following question.

You learned from your preview that Lady Macbeth would have killed King Duncan herself, but did not because

- a. she drank too much wine.
- b. Duncan looked like her own father.
- c. she fell asleep.
- d. an owl screamed and frightened her.

Turn to the Comprehension Check on page 28 for the right answer.

Now read the story.

Read on to find out what Macbeth has done.

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They have deserted their duty to their king, for sleep, thought Lady Macbeth, after she left the two servants outside of Duncan's bedroom. The wine which made them sleep has made me bold.

She heard an owl scream in the dark. A moment later, Macbeth's voice called, "Who is there? What is it?"

His voice made Lady Macbeth's heart beat faster. *What if the servants woke? What if the deed was not done and Duncan is still alive? If Duncan had not looked like my own father as he slept, I would have killed him myself!*

"I have done the deed," said Macbeth, as he came down the steps. He looked at his bloody hands. "One of the servants laughed in his sleep and the other cried, 'Murder!' They woke each other up. As I waited in the dark, they began to pray," said Macbeth. "Then, one servant cried, 'God bless us!' and the other cried, 'Amen!' as if they had seen my bloody hands. But I could not say 'Amen' when they said 'God bless us!'"

"Don't think about it so deeply," Lady Macbeth said.

Macbeth wouldn't let her distract him. "Why couldn't I pray with them? I greatly needed that blessing, but 'Amen' stuck in my throat!"

"If we think about these deeds too much, we will go mad," she replied.

"I thought I heard a voice cry, 'Sleep no more. Macbeth has murdered innocent sleep! Macbeth shall sleep no more!'"

"Why do you weaken yourself with these thoughts? Go wash your hands." She saw that he still held the bloody daggers. "Carry those back, and wipe the servants with the blood."

"I am afraid to think about what I have done. I don't dare go back," said Macbeth.

Lady Macbeth frowned. "Give me the daggers. The sleeping and the dead are like painted pictures. Only a child is afraid of a painted devil. I will paint the servants' faces with blood. They must look guilty."

After she hurried away, Macbeth heard knocking. *Why does every sound frighten me? He looked at his hands. Would the great ocean wash this blood from my hand? No; this blood would turn a green ocean red.*

When Lady Macbeth returned, she said, "My hands are as red as yours, but I would be ashamed to be as pale as you."

The knocking began again. "I hear knocking at the South Gate," said Lady Macbeth. "It is dangerous for us to stay here. Come to our bedroom. A little water will clear us of this deed! Don't be so lost in your thoughts."

"If that means to clearly see what I have done, I'd rather stay lost in my thoughts," said Macbeth. "To know my deed, is best not to know myself."

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The porter, who heard the knocking, wasn't thinking clearly. "If I were the porter of Hell's gate, I'd be letting in so many people, I wouldn't have a chance to lose my keys," he said to himself, as he searched his pockets. "Knock, knock, knock! I'm coming!" the porter shouted, as he unlocked the gate.

Macduff and Lennox came to wake the king. When Macbeth met them, he showed Macduff the door to the king's bedroom.

Lennox turned to Macbeth. "Last night the wind was wild.

It blew down chimneys. Strange screams of death filled the air. It was as if nature was fighting against the night."

"It was a hard night," said Macbeth.

Suddenly, Macduff ran out. "Oh, horror! Someone has killed the king!" Macbeth and Lennox ran inside.

"Ring the alarm! Murder! Banquo, Donalbain, Malcolm awake! Shake off sleep, climb from your graves, and walk like spirits to see this horror!" Macduff cried. "Duncan is dead. His bed is a true grave."

Lady Macbeth and the thanes gathered outside the king's door. When Macbeth came out of Duncan's room, he said, "I would have lived a blessed life if I had died before this moment."

"The servants and their daggers were covered with blood," said Lennox.

"I'm sorry I got so angry and killed the servants," said Macbeth.

"Why did you kill them?" asked Macduff.

"The servants' evil deed was so against nature that I had to kill them," explained Macbeth. "I'm not ashamed that I loved Duncan and had the courage to prove it."

Lady Macbeth tried to distract Macduff from asking more questions by pretending to faint.

Malcolm and Donalbain whispered to each other. They knew it was dangerous for them to stay in Scotland. "There are daggers in men's smiles," said Donalbain. "Because we are Father's sons, the true killer might come after us next."

When the thanes went back to their rooms to dress, Malcolm and Donalbain escaped on their horses.

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COMPREHENSION CHECK

Choose the best answer.

Preview Answer:

b. Duncan looked like her own father.

1. King Duncan's servants deserted their duty, for sleep, because
 - a. they had a long trip the next day.
 - b. the king ordered them to sleep.
 - c. Lady Macbeth gave them wine.
 - d. they were tired from their long trip.
2. Macbeth could not say 'Amen' when the servants prayed because
 - a. he felt guilty for killing Duncan.
 - b. Lady Macbeth told him not to.
 - c. he was distracted.
 - d. he drank too much wine.
3. When Macbeth heard a voice cry, "Sleep no more," it was
 - a. Macduff's voice.
 - b. Lady Macbeth's voice.
 - c. King Duncan's voice.
 - d. Macbeth's guilty mind.
4. Macbeth says, "To know my deed, is best not to know myself." He means
 - a. he doesn't know himself.
 - b. he doesn't know his deeds.
 - c. it is dangerous to know one's self.
 - d. he doesn't want to think about what he has done to the king.
5. Who found King Duncan dead?
 - a. Lennox
 - b. Macduff
 - c. Macbeth
 - d. Lady Macbeth
6. Everyone believes
 - a. the servants killed the king.
 - b. Macbeth killed the king.
 - c. Malcolm killed Donalbain.
 - d. the porter killed Lennox.
7. To distract Macduff from asking questions, Lady Macbeth
 - a. killed her husband.
 - b. pretended to faint.
 - c. climbed into Duncan's grave.
 - d. screamed, "Oh, horror!"
8. Knowing that it is dangerous to stay in Scotland, who escapes on their horses?
 - a. Macbeth and his wife
 - b. Macduff and Lennox
 - c. Malcolm and Donalbain
 - d. The porter and the servants
9. Another name for this story could be
 - a. "Murder in Macbeth's Castle."
 - b. "The Servants' Evil Deed."
 - c. "Danger at South Gate."
 - d. "Nature Fights Against the Night."
10. This story is mainly about
 - a. the servants drinking wine.
 - b. Macbeth killing King Duncan.
 - c. Lady Macbeth fainting.
 - d. knocking at South Gate.

Check your answers with the key on page 67.

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VOCABULARY CHECK

ashamed	dangerous	deed	nature	porter	pray
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I. Sentences to Finish

Fill in the blank in each sentence with the correct word from the box above.

1. After I lied to my mother, I was so _____, I had to tell her the truth.
2. Doing a good _____ for someone else makes me feel good inside.
3. The hotel _____ took our bags up to our room.
4. Many people _____ to God for peace in the world.
5. Smoking is _____ to your health.
6. Last summer my dad took us to the _____ preserve to see the wild animals.

II. Using the Words

On the lines below, write six of your own sentences using the key words from the box above. Use each word once, drawing a line under the key word.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

Check your answers with the key on page 70.

King Macbeth

PREPARATION

Key Words

- enemy** (en'ə mē) someone who hates and tries to harm another
Paul did not have one enemy; everyone liked him.
- kingdom** (king'dəm) a place ruled by a king or a queen
As the enemy grew closer, the queen ordered her soldiers to protect the kingdom.
- peace** (pēs) calm and free of trouble
The President spoke of world peace in his address to the nation.
- royal** (roi'al) of kings and queens; from or by a king or queen
On her birthday, the princess danced at the royal ball.
- suspect** (sə spekt') to think someone may be guilty without being certain
The chocolate on the little boy's face made the father suspect his son had taken cookies from the cookie jar.
- yesterday** (yes'tər dā) the day before today
Because of the rain yesterday, we couldn't have our picnic.

King Macbeth

Necessary Words

advice	(ad vīs´)	ideas on how someone else should handle things <i>Jim asked his parents for their <u>advice</u> on which car to buy.</i>
descendants	(di sen´dants)	people born to a certain family or group <i>As he cleared the trees for the farmhouse, he imagined his <u>descendants</u> living here long after he died.</i>
disguise	(dis gīz´)	to hide how one looks so one won't be recognized <i>Kathy decided to <u>disguise</u> herself as a witch for the costume party.</i>
soul	(sōl)	the force in a living being that thinks and feels <i>When his grandmother died, Michael felt the loss deep in his <u>soul</u>.</i>

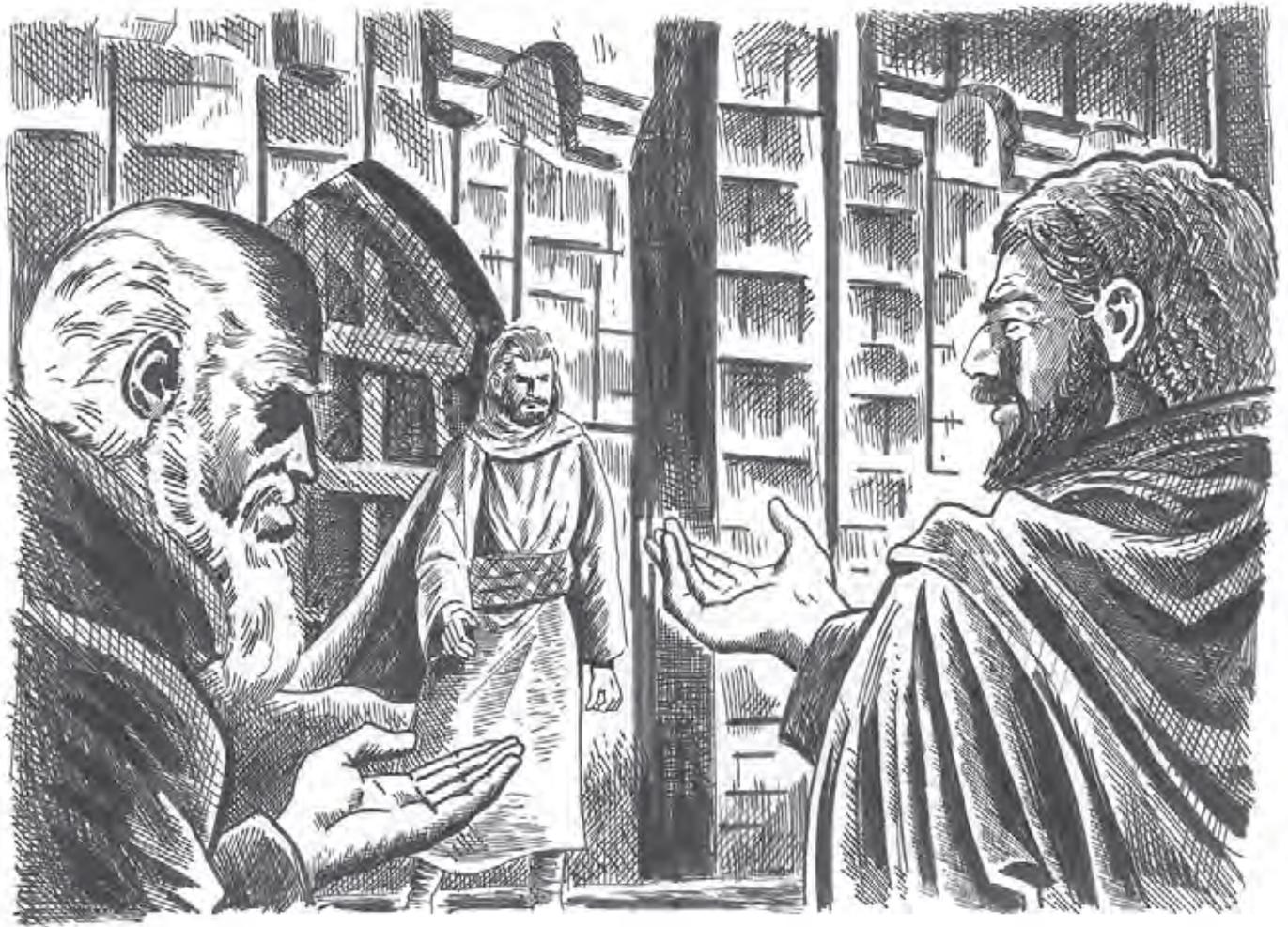
Places

Ireland	a country to the west of and across the sea from England; one of the British Isles
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Animals

Scorpion	A scorpion has eight legs like a spider. The sting from it's sharp pointed tail can make someone sick, and can even kill them. Scorpions come out at night and sleep during the day.
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King Macbeth



“Nothing comes close to the horror of this long night,” the old man said to Rosse.

- Preview:**
1. Read the name of the story.
 2. Look at the picture.
 3. Read the sentence under the picture.
 4. Read the first five paragraphs of the story.
 5. Then answer the following question.

You learned from your preview that Macduff thinks

- a. Rosse killed Malcolm.
- b. the old man killed Macbeth.
- c. the servants killed Duncan.
- d. Malcolm killed Duncan.

Turn to the Comprehension Check on page 34 for the right answer.

Now read the story.

Read on to find out who begins to suspect Macbeth of murder.

King Macbeth

“King Duncan is dead,” said the old man, as he walked with Rosse. “I’ve seen strange and terrible things in my seventy years. Nothing comes close to the horror of this long night.”

Rosse nodded. “The sun can’t break through the darkness. It’s as if the earth is caught in a grave where the sun’s light can’t reach.”

“Nature has gone wrong,” sighed the old man.

“Duncan had the swiftest, most beautiful horses in the kingdom,” Rosse said. “Yesterday they turned wild, broke free, and began to fight as if to make war against all humans. Look, here comes the good Macduff. Is it known yet who did this bloody deed?” Rosse asked Macduff.

“The servants who Macbeth killed,” replied Macduff.

“What did they hope to gain?” wondered Rosse.

“They must have been paid to kill their master,” said Macduff. “Malcolm and Donalbain ran away. Now, people suspect they planned it.”

“Duncan’s sons will get nothing from their evil deed. The thanes will want Macbeth to rule the kingdom.”

“They have already chosen him. He has gone to receive the crown,” said Macduff. “Duncan’s body was carried to the royal graves to rest with the kings before him.”

“Will you come to see Macbeth?” asked Rosse.

“I’m going home,” answered Macduff.

As they left, the old man said, “Bless you both and those who make good out of bad, and a friend out of an enemy.”

At the king’s palace, Banquo began to suspect Macbeth killed Duncan. *Macbeth has everything*

the witches promised, but his descendants won’t rule the kingdom. They said I would be the father of kings, not Macbeth.

Banquo heard people in the hall. Rosse and some of the other thanes were walking through the palace with King Macbeth and his Queen, Lady Macbeth.

“Here is our chief guest!” Macbeth said, as he saw Banquo.

“Our royal feast would have felt empty if he had been forgotten,” added Lady Macbeth.

“You must come to the feast,” requested Macbeth.

“I will come,” said Banquo.

“Do you plan to ride this afternoon?” asked Macbeth. “I want your advice, but I will wait until tomorrow.” But, Banquo had time.

Macbeth briefly explained. “We hear news of Duncan’s sons. Malcolm is in England, and Donalbain is in Ireland. They are making up stories to hide their part in killing Duncan. But, we will talk more tomorrow.” As Banquo left, Macbeth turned to the others, “Let every man be master of his time. Until our feast at seven, God be with you.”

When he was alone, Macbeth thought about what a good man Banquo was, and that made him dangerous to Macbeth. *The witches hailed him father to a line of kings. Upon my head they placed a fruitless crown.* Macbeth now understood that he lost peace in this world and gave his soul to the devil so Banquo’s descendants could become kings.

Suddenly, distracting Macbeth from his thoughts, a servant brought two men into the room. The men were killers who Macbeth had spoken with the day before. “Have you thought about what I said yesterday? Banquo is your enemy, and mine.

I can’t strike him down myself because I would lose the friends we share.”

The killers offered to murder Banquo for their king.

“No one should suspect I asked for your help,” said Macbeth. “It is important that his son die with him.”

While Macbeth gave the killers advice on murdering Banquo and Fleance, Lady Macbeth waited in her room. *We’ve been given everything and received nothing for it,* she thought. *We have the kingdom, but our success is empty of happiness.* As Macbeth came into the room, she asked, “Why do you stay alone? You should not think about things you cannot fix. What’s done, is done.”

“It would be better to be dead and in peace than to have these worries stinging my mind.” Macbeth’s voice became excited. “Duncan is safe from harm in his grave, but we are not while Banquo is around. We must fool him by pretending to love him. Our faces must disguise what is in our hearts!”

“You must stop this,” begged Lady Macbeth.

“My mind is full of scorpions, dear wife!” cried Macbeth. “I can’t have peace while Banquo and Fleance live!” Macbeth told her that something would happen to Banquo that night, but he would not tell her his plan. “Be innocent of this deed, Dearest. Let the dark night cover the eyes of gentle day,” he said. “While the day’s good things fall asleep, the night’s evil things hunt the innocent.”

Macbeth noticed his wife was startled by his wild words. “Don’t worry. The bad things we started grow stronger this way. Please, come with me.”

King Macbeth

COMPREHENSION CHECK

Choose the best answer.

Preview Answer:
c. the servants killed Duncan.

1. Macduff said the servants may have killed Duncan
 - a. because the witches told them to.
 - b. for money.
 - c. because nature has gone wrong.
 - d. for the king's horses.

2. Because Duncan's sons ran away, people now suspect
 - a. the thanes took over the castle.
 - b. Macbeth of murder.
 - c. Rosse of stealing the king's horses.
 - d. Malcolm and Donalbain paid the servants to kill Duncan.

3. Who has been chosen the new king?
 - a. Banquo
 - b. Rosse
 - c. Macbeth
 - d. Macduff

4. Who suspects Macbeth killed Duncan?
 - a. Macduff
 - b. Banquo
 - c. Rosse
 - d. Fleance

5. Which of Duncan's sons ran away to Ireland?
 - a. Banquo
 - b. Fleance
 - c. Malcolm
 - d. Donalbain

6. Who did the two killers offer to murder for Macbeth?
 - a. Lady Macbeth
 - b. Rosse and Macduff
 - c. Banquo
 - d. Malcolm and Donalbain

7. By thinking, *We have the kingdom, but our success is empty of happiness*, Lady Macbeth
 - a. feels happy Duncan is dead.
 - b. means she is unhappy Duncan died.
 - c. feels happy her husband is guilty.
 - d. means Macbeth's guilt keeps them from being happy as King and Queen.

8. Macbeth says, "My mind is full of scorpions." He means, he
 - a. has been stung on his head.
 - b. is distracted by his dark thoughts.
 - c. is afraid of spiders.
 - d. will kill Banquo with a scorpion.

9. Another name for this story could be
 - a. "The Feast for Banquo."
 - b. "Murder in England and Ireland."
 - c. "No Peace for King Macbeth."
 - d. "The King's Sons Return."

10. This story is mainly about
 - a. Macbeth's guilt and dark thoughts.
 - b. Malcolm and Donalbain running away.
 - c. Banquo's plan to kill Macbeth.
 - d. Lady Macbeth becoming Queen.

Check your answers with the key on page 67.

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King Macbeth

VOCABULARY CHECK

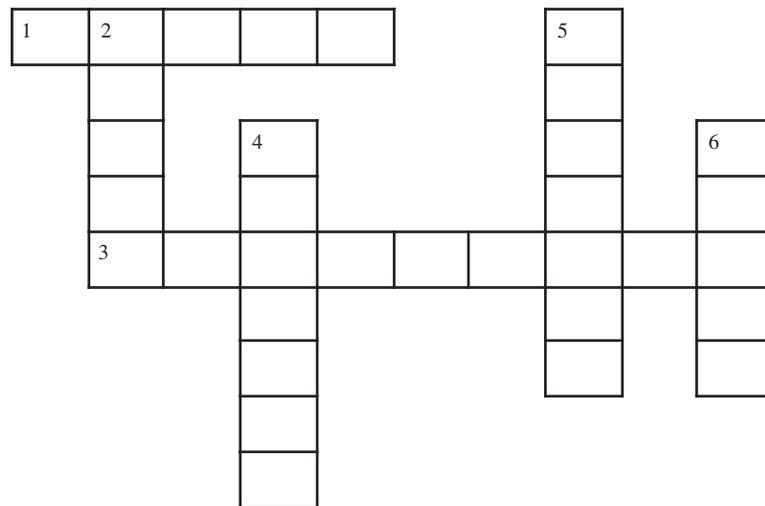
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I. Sentences to Finish

Fill in the blank in each sentence with the correct word from the box above.

1. The _____ family spent winter vacations at their castle in the mountains.
2. When Kate started crying, I began to _____ something was wrong.
3. _____ my mom promised to take me shopping today.
4. Kevin has been my _____ since he hit my sister.
5. The soldiers prayed for _____ so they could return to their families.
6. While the king was away, the prince ruled the _____.

II. Crossword Puzzle. Use the words from the box above to fill in the puzzle. Use the meanings below to help you choose the right answer.



ACROSS

1. calm and free of trouble
3. the day before today

DOWN

2. someone who hates and tries to harm another
4. to think someone may be guilty, without being certain
5. a place ruled by a king or queen
6. of kings and queens; from or by a king or queen

Check your answers with the key on page 70.

Banquo's Ghost

PREPARATION

Key Words

ghost	(gōst)	the spirit of someone who is dead <i>The children thought they saw a <u>ghost</u>, but it was a curtain blowing in the wind.</i>
health	(helth)	to be well, not sick <i>Leo protected the goldfish's <u>health</u> by feeding it each day and keeping its tank clean.</i>
perfect	(pēr'fikt)	without anything wrong <i>She made sure the paint was a <u>perfect</u> match before she painted over the scratches.</i>
spy	(spī)	someone who secretly watches someone else <i>The <u>spy</u> hid in the closet of the president's office.</i>
stomach	(stum'ək)	the part in the body below the ribs where food goes after it is swallowed <i>Jennifer's <u>stomach</u> hurt after she ate the box of candy.</i>
stool	(stül)	a seat with legs but without arms and a back <i>The farmer sat on a <u>stool</u> when he milked the cows.</i>

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Necessary Words

rank	(rangk)	a persons place in line within a group <i>Jeff boasted to the others that the captain raised him to a higher <u>rank</u>.</i>
revenge	(ri venj')	to punish someone in return for the harm they have done <i>Gail planned her <u>revenge</u>, after her brother split paint on her new sweater.</i>
sickness	(sik'nis)	not feeling well; illness <i>Because of her <u>sickness</u>, Carol missed the class trip.</i>

Banquo's Ghost



The killers could not recognize the man who joined them.

- Preview:**
1. Read the name of the story.
 2. Look at the picture.
 3. Read the sentence under the picture.
 4. Read the first eight paragraphs of the story.
 5. Then answer the following question.

You learned from your preview that one of the men riding a horse was

- a. a killer.
- b. Macbeth.
- c. Banquo.
- d. Lennox.

Turn to the Comprehension Check on page 40 for the right answer.

Now read the story.

Read on to find out what happens to Banquo.

Banquo's Ghost

In the dying light of the evening sun, the killers could not recognize the man who joined them in the park outside the palace.

"Who told you to join us?" the first killer asked.

"Macbeth," said the third man.

"Macbeth must have told him where to find us, so he can't be a spy," said the second killer.

As darkness grew, the third man said, "I hear horses."

Banquo's voice called out into the night, "Give us a light there!"

"The horses are going without them," said the first killer.

The third man seemed to know Banquo. "It's a mile to the palace, but Banquo usually walks from here." A torch moved towards the killers. "That is Banquo," the third man said.

Banquo had not noticed the men yet. "It will rain tonight," he said to Fleance.

"Let the rain come down," the first killer said, as they attacked Banquo.

The torch dropped from Banquo's hand. "We've been betrayed! Run, Fleance!" he cried. "Revenge this deed!" Banquo shouted before he died.

"Who knocked out the torch?" the third man yelled.

"Wasn't that part of the plan?" asked the first killer.

"We only killed one," said the third man. "The son escaped."

Inside the palace, the feast was about to begin. Macbeth noticed the first killer standing outside the door. He turned to the thanes, "You each know your rank, so take your seats in order. I will sit among you to better enjoy your company."

Instead of taking a stool, Macbeth hurried to the killer.

"You have blood on your face."

"It's Banquo's blood," said the killer.

"Better on *your* face than in *his* body," said Macbeth.

"I cut his throat. But Fleance escaped."

Macbeth caught his breath. "If Fleance were dead, I would have been perfect. I would have been whole again, but I remain trapped. But Banquo is safe?"

The killer nodded. "He's dead with twenty cuts in his head."

"Fleance is too young to harm me. Come back tomorrow."

Lady Macbeth called to her husband. "When you aren't with your guests, they wonder if they are welcome at your table. A feast without joy fills the stomach, but it doesn't feed the soul."

As Macbeth smiled at her, he didn't notice a new guest joined the table. Banquo had promised to come to the feast, and his ghost made sure that he did.

"May you all enjoy good health," Macbeth said to the thanes. "This feast would have been perfect if Banquo were here. I trust he has forgotten us and has not come to any harm."

"Sit with us," said Rosse.

"The table is full," said Macbeth.

"Here is a place," said Lennox. Banquo's ghost sat there, but the thanes couldn't see him. Only Macbeth noticed that all the stools were taken.

Suddenly Macbeth recognized Banquo. Red drops ran down the ghost's face and hair. "Don't shake your bloody head at me!" shouted Macbeth.

The thanes thought Macbeth was sick. They stood up to leave. "My husband has always had these fits. In a moment his

health will return," said Lady Macbeth. She tried to bring Macbeth back to his senses. "Are you a man, or not?"

"I am a man, and a brave one to look at a horror that would scare the devil," said Macbeth.

"You are looking at a stool," Lady Macbeth replied.

"If you are here, then graves can't hold their bodies," Macbeth said to the ghost. "We'll all end up in the stomachs of birds when we die."

The ghost disappeared.

"In the past when a man's head was knocked open, he'd die. Now even if he's dead with twenty cuts in his head, he gets up and pushes us from our stools." Macbeth soon noticed the worried faces of the thanes. He raised his cup of wine. "Love and health to all, and to Banquo who we miss."

As the thanes raised their cups, Macbeth saw the ghost return. "Go away!" he shouted. "Come in any shape but this one! Or come alive again, and fight me like a man!"

After the ghost disappeared again, Macbeth said "My sickness has passed I'm not the brave man I think myself to be when such things turn me pale."

"What things?" asked Rosse.

Lady Macbeth distracted the thanes from asking more questions. "Leave at once, and don't wait to go in order of your rank."

When Macbeth and his wife were alone, he said, "I heard from a spy I have in Macduff's house that he refused to come to our feast. Tomorrow I will go to the witches. I need their evil help to see what evil waits in my future. I will do anything to save myself. I've walked too deep into blood to turn back now."

Banquo's Ghost

COMPREHENSION CHECK

Choose the best answer.

Preview Answer:
c. Banquo.

1. Who was killed by the murderers?
 a. Macbeth
 b. Banquo
 c. Fleance
 d. Lennox

2. Banquo shouted to _____ to "revenge this deed," meaning his death.
 a. Macbeth
 b. Lady Macbeth
 c. Fleance
 d. Lennox

- ③ Macbeth asks the killer, "But Banquo is safe?" He's really asking
 a. is Banquo safe from harm?
 b. is Banquo safe at home?
 c. will Banquo join the feast?
 d. is Macbeth safe from Banquo?

4. What did Macbeth see that the others could not?
 a. An empty stool
 b. Lady Macbeth
 c. Fleance
 d. Banquo's ghost

5. What did the others see that Macbeth did not?
 a. An empty stool
 b. Lady Macbeth
 c. Fleance
 d. Banquo's ghost

- ⑥ What was on the ghost's face and hands?
 a. Red drops of blood
 b. Red drops of wine
 c. A smile
 d. A frown

7. "Go away!" Macbeth shouted to
 a. Lady Macbeth.
 b. Banquo's ghost.
 c. the thanes.
 d. Lennox.

- ⑧ Macbeth was not brave when _____ turned him pale.
 a. birds
 b. the past
 c. bloody ghosts
 d. his bad health

- ⑨ Another name for this story could be
 a. "A Merry Feast."
 b. "Macbeth's Health Returns."
 c. "Macbeth begins to Lose his Mind."
 d. "A Spy in Macduff's House."

- ⑩ This story is mainly about
 a. Lady Macbeth helping her husband.
 b. a feast for the thanes.
 c. Fleance escaping death.
 d. Banquo's ghost haunting Macbeth.

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Banquo's Ghost

VOCABULARY CHECK

ghost	health	perfect	spy	stomach	stool
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I. Sentences to Finish

Fill in the blank in each sentence with the correct word from the box above.

- After Thanksgiving dinner, I had a _____ ache because I ate too much.
- At the last minute, Tom dressed as a _____ for the costume party.
- Susan rested her feet on the _____ after working a long day.
- Rest is important for good _____.
- Kevin got a _____ score on the math test.
- John's grandfather was a _____ for the government during the war.

II. Put an X next to the best ending for each sentence.

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| 1. Cara searched for the perfect
<input type="checkbox"/> a. dress for the party.
<input type="checkbox"/> b. spelling test. | 4. The spy was caught
<input type="checkbox"/> a. stealing important papers.
<input type="checkbox"/> b. helping an old woman. |
| 2. To be in good health , means to
<input type="checkbox"/> a. be sick.
<input type="checkbox"/> b. be fit. | 5. A stool
<input type="checkbox"/> a. can seat five people across.
<input type="checkbox"/> b. has no back or arms. |
| 3. A ghost is the spirit of a
<input type="checkbox"/> a. dead person.
<input type="checkbox"/> b. living person. | 6. He bought larger pants because his stomach
<input type="checkbox"/> a. fit in his old pants.
<input type="checkbox"/> b. wouldn't fit in his old pants. |

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Three Riddles

PREPARATION

Key Words

death	(deth)	the ending of life <i>As Miriam ran out of the burning building, she felt as if she'd escaped <u>death</u>.</i>
disgrace	(dis grās')	loss of honor or respect <i>After he passed the ball to the other team, Sean left the game in <u>disgrace</u>.</i>
lord	(lôrd)	a man of high rank and great power in a kingdom <i>The dying king called his most loyal <u>lord</u> to his bedside.</i>
riddle	(rid'lz)	tricky questions or answers that need a lot of thought to understand completely. <i>Unless the queen could answer the <u>riddle</u>, the witch would take her son, the prince.</i>
ruin	(rü'ən)	to harm someone or something that can't be fixed again <i>If you put peas into the batter it will <u>ruin</u> the cake.</i>
wicked	(wik'id)	bad or evil <i>The <u>wicked</u> witch put a curse on the kingdom.</i>

Three Riddles

Necessary Words

charm	(chärm)	1. something with magical power <i>Roy thought his dirty socks were his lucky <u>charm</u> for the baseball season.</i> 2. someone with the power to please others <i>Tommy had to <u>charm</u> Anne into going to the car show with him.</i>
double	(dub´l)	twice as much, as many, as large, as strong, etc. <i>I was paid <u>double</u> for working on Sunday.</i>
helmet	(hel´mit)	a hard covering that protects the head <i>Richard’s <u>helmet</u> was hot and heavy to wear, but it saved his life in battle.</i>
security	(si kyur´ə tē)	feeling safe <i>We swam with a sense of <u>security</u> because we knew the lifeguard was nearby.</i>
toil	(toil)	hard work <i>After years of <u>toil</u>, Randy bought his dream house.</i>
vision	(vizh´ən)	something seen in someone’s thoughts or dreams <i>The day after Faith’s brother died, she had a <u>vision</u> of him walking in the garden.</i>

People

Hecat the queen of the witches

Places

Birnan Wood a forest in the country outside of Dunsinane

Dunsinane Hill one of Macbeth’s castles is built on this hill

Three Kiddles



Hecat tells the witches that Macbeth's soul is lost.

- Preview:**
1. Read the name of the story.
 2. Look at the picture.
 3. Read the sentence under the picture.
 4. Read the first two paragraphs of the story.
 5. Then answer the following question.

You learned from your preview that the thanes began to suspect

- a. Macbeth caused Banquo's death.
- b. Hecat caused Banquo's death.
- c. Lennox caused Duncan's death.
- d. Macduff caused Macbeth's death.

Turn to the Comprehension Check on page 46 for the right answer.

Now read the story.

Read on to find out who the thanes will go to for help.

Three Riddles

Hecat, the queen of the witches, was angry. "You're a disgrace to evil!" she screamed to the three witches. "How could you meet Macbeth, with riddles of death? I was never called to do my part, or show the glory of our art. He doesn't do these evil deeds, as others do, but for himself, not for you. Meet me at the gates of hell in the morning, where Macbeth will come to know his calling. Tonight I'll raise spirits to ruin Macbeth. We'll trick him into not fearing death. When a human is full of security, he is his own biggest enemy."

Banquo's body was found after the feast. Many thanes began to suspect Macbeth's part in Banquo's death.

"Macbeth felt sorry for Duncan after he died, but that didn't stop him from killing the king in the first place," Lennox said to another lord. "In fear, Duncan's sons, Malcolm and Donalbain, ran away. They were called guilty. Will Macbeth say Fleance killed Banquo because he ran away too? Macbeth punished Duncan's servants. They didn't have a chance to speak. Thank heaven Macbeth couldn't punish Duncan's sons the same way! Now Macduff lives in disgrace because he didn't come to the feast."

The other lord spoke quietly because he had heard what few others knew. "Macduff is going to join Malcolm and will ask the English King for help. Macbeth is preparing for war."

While the lords prayed for Scotland, the witches gathered in a dark cave. They built a fire and prepared a wicked charm. Into their iron pot they tossed a snake's heart, bat hair, worms, frog skin, spider eyes, and a scorpion's stinger. The witches

danced and sang, "**Double, double, toil and trouble! Fire burn, make our pot bubble!**" When the soup was thick, they cooled it with monkeys' blood.

Hecat appeared. "You've done well, and you'll be rewarded," she said, before she disappeared again.

A knock rattled the cave door. "Something wicked this way comes," said the second witch.

Macbeth walked in. He didn't bother to be polite to the witches. They didn't hail Macbeth now that he was as wicked as they were.

"What are you ugly witches doing?" he asked.

"A deed without a name."

"Answer my questions," he ordered.

"Would you rather hear from our mouths, or from our master's?" asked the first witch.

"Call them! Let me see them!" cried Macbeth. As thunder shook the cave, a vision of a man's head rose above the flames. Macbeth couldn't recognize the man because he wore a helmet.

"Tell me, strange power..." Macbeth began to say.

"He knows what you think," said the first witch.

"Macbeth, Macbeth, Macbeth," called the vision, "be on guard against Macduff."

The vision disappeared. "Here is another vision, stronger than the first," said the first witch.

"Be bloody and bold," said the vision of a bloody child. "You can laugh at the power of man, because nobody born of a woman shall harm Macbeth."

Only a woman can bring a child into this world, thought Macbeth, as the bloody child dis-

appeared. *Why should I be afraid of Macduff? I will kill him. His death promises my peace.*

When the third vision appeared, Macbeth asked, "Who is this child who wears a crown and walks like the son of a king?"

The crowned child held a tree before him. "Have a lion's courage and be proud," said the vision. "Macbeth cannot be ruined until Birnan Wood comes against Dunsinane Hill."

"Nobody can force the trees to lift their roots and move to Dunsinane," said Macbeth. "I shall live a long life."

Macbeth didn't understand that the visions were riddles, warning that he would be ruined. He felt certain he had changed the future when he killed Banquo. He asked the witches if Banquo's descendants would ever rule the kingdom. A new vision rose. A royal line of kings slowly passed before Macbeth. His hair stiff with dried blood, Banquo's ghost pointed to his descendants.

"Sisters, it's our duty to cheer up our king," said the first witch. They began to dance but then suddenly disappeared.

Macbeth called Lennox into the cave and asked, "Did you see three sisters leave?"

"Nobody came by me, my lord," said Lennox.

"I heard horses," said Macbeth.

"Two or three men have come to tell you that Macduff has run off to England."

Time saved Macduff from me, thought Macbeth. From this moment, I will act on my ideas as soon as I have them. Even now, I will surprise Macduff's castle. His whole family will feel the sword's edge! Macbeth joined the killers waiting outside.

Three Riddles

COMPREHENSION CHECK

Choose the best answer.

1. Lennox says that Macduff lives in disgrace because he
 - a. left for Ireland.
 - b. didn't come to the feast.
 - c. killed the king.
 - d. sees visions.
2. Macduff left Scotland to join Malcolm in England and
 - a. meet Hecat.
 - b. kill the king.
 - c. punish Duncan's servants.
 - d. ask the English King for help.
3. When a witch said, "Something wicked this way comes." She was talking about
 - a. Hecat.
 - b. Macduff.
 - c. Macbeth.
 - d. Lennox.
4. The first vision Macbeth received warned Macbeth
 - a. that Lady Macbeth would die.
 - b. that Macduff would die.
 - c. to be on guard against Macduff.
 - d. to be on guard against Malcolm.
5. The second vision said, "Nobody born of a woman shall harm
 - a. Macbeth."
 - b. Macduff."
 - c. Lennox."
 - d. Malcolm."
6. The third vision said that Macbeth cannot be ruined until
 - a. Dunsinane Hill comes to Ireland.
 - b. Ireland comes to Birnan Wood.
 - c. Dunsinane Hill comes to Birnan Wood.
 - d. Birnan Wood comes to Dunsinane Hill.
7. Macbeth didn't understand
 - a. the visions were riddles.
 - b. why everyone was mad at him.
 - c. that Hecat was a witch.
 - d. that he changed the future.
8. Macbeth asked if Banquo's descendants would rule the kingdom. A vision showed
 - a. Macduff's castle.
 - b. Banquo's castle.
 - c. Banquo's descendants would be kings.
 - d. Macduff's descendants would be kings.
9. Another name for this story could be
 - a. "Hecat is Angry."
 - b. "Malcolm Prepares for War."
 - c. "Macbeth's Dark Future."
 - d. "Macduff Runs to England."
10. This story is mainly about
 - a. Macduff leaving for England.
 - b. Hecat being angry at the witches.
 - c. Hecat being angry at Macbeth.
 - d. Macbeth learning about his future.

Preview Answer:

- a. Macbeth caused Banquo's death.

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Three Riddles

VOCABULARY CHECK

death	disgrace	lord	riddle	ruin	wicked
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I. Sentences to Finish

Fill in the blank in each sentence with the correct word from the box above.

1. If it rains on the day of the pool party, it will _____ all our plans.
2. "My _____, I have finished the deed," the duke told the king.
3. The way the child spoke to his mother was a _____ and made the others angry.
4. Everyone thought the _____ old woman was a witch.
5. It took our entire class to answer the math _____.
6. The _____ of the dog left the family very sad.

II. Circle the letter in front of the best answer.

1. A man with great power in a kingdom is a
 a. riddle b. disgrace c. lord d. death
2. Another word for bad or evil is
 a. death b. ruin c. disgrace d. wicked
3. It took my teacher hours to find the answer to the
 a. lord b. riddle c. ruin d. death
4. It was hard for my little brother to understand my grandmother's
 a. riddle b. death c. disgrace d. wicked
5. Another word for the loss of honor or respect is
 a. disgrace b. wicked c. lord d. riddle
6. Will it _____ your plans if I change our meeting to three o'clock?
 a. disgrace b. riddle c. ruin d. death

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Cruel Macbeth

PREPARATION

Key Words

comfort	(kum´fərt)	to make someone feel better and less sad <i>Kim was there to <u>comfort</u> Paul after his dog died.</i>
control	(kən trōl´)	to have power over someone or something <i>The pilot is in <u>control</u> of flying the plane.</i>
defend	(di fend´)	to protect from attack <i>Mothers are always prepared to <u>defend</u> their children.</i>
honest	(on´ist)	fair and truthful <i>David proved that he was <u>honest</u> by refusing to peek at the test answers.</i>
savage	(sav´ij)	fierce and wild <i>The police had to trap the <u>savage</u> dog so it could not bite anyone.</i>
stranger	(strān´jər)	someone not known or seen before <i>Liz wondered why the <u>stranger</u> was staring at her.</i>

Cruel Macbeth

Necessary Words

grief	(grēf)	deep sadness caused by trouble or death <i>Paul's <u>grief</u> over his grandmother's death was so great, he had trouble getting out of bed in the morning.</i>
liar	(lī'ər)	someone who doesn't tell the truth <i>He is such a good <u>liar</u>, he can make anyone believe day is night.</i>
rumors	(rū'mərz)	stories that may or may not be true <i>Nina heard <u>rumors</u> that school would let out early.</i>
traitor	(trā'tər)	someone who betrays his country or the people who trust him <i>The <u>traitor</u> gave the secret plans to the enemy.</i>

People

Lady Macduff	Macduff's wife
King Edward	the King of England who helps Malcolm
Siward	a great English soldier and Malcolm's uncle

Cruel Macbeth



“He had a father, but now he is fatherless,” said Lady Macduff.

- Preview:**
1. Read the name of the story.
 2. Look at the picture.
 3. Read the sentence under the picture.
 4. Read the first seven paragraphs of the story.
 5. Then answer the following question.

You learned from your preview that Macduff

- a. killed Macbeth.
- b. left Scotland.
- c. killed Rosse.
- d. left England.

Turn to the Comprehension Check on page 52 for the right answer.

Now read the story.

Read on to find out what happens to Lady Macduff.

Cruel Macbeth

"What did my husband do wrong that made him run from Scotland?" asked Lady Macduff.

"You must wait to see what happens," Rosse said, trying to comfort her.

"He didn't wait," said Lady Macduff. "When his fear made him run, he became a traitor."

"You don't know if he left because of fear or wisdom."

"Is it wisdom to leave his family behind?" asked Lady Macduff. "Even the smallest bird defends her young against the owl."

"Control yourself. You know your husband is a good man. Don't let vague fears make you believe in rumors," said Rosse.

Lady Macduff watched her son playing near them. "He had a father, but now he is fatherless."

"It will upset us both if I stay any longer," Rosse said, as he hurried away.

Lady Macduff turned to her son. "My little fellow, your father is dead. What will you do for a father?"

The boy understood his mother was teasing him, and asked, "What will you do for a husband?"

"I'll buy twenty new husbands at the market," Lady Macduff said with a smile.

"Father is alive, so you'll have to sell them back again," said the boy. "What is a traitor?"

"Someone who makes false promises and betrays the innocent," said Lady Macduff. "Traitors must be hanged."

"Who hangs them?" asked the boy.

"The honest men."

"Then the traitors are fools!" said the boy. "There are enough traitors in the world to hang the few honest men!"

Suddenly, a stranger hurried into the room. "You're in danger. A savage death is moments from you!" the stranger cried as he ran out the door.

"I haven't done anything wrong," said Lady Macduff.

The killers rushed into the room. "Where is your husband? He's a traitor," said the first killer.

"You're a liar!" shouted the boy. The killer struck him down. "He's killed me, Mother!" The killers then cornered Lady Macduff and her other children.

Days later, Macduff and King Duncan's son, Malcolm, were walking in the gardens outside King Edward's palace in England. They didn't know Macduff's family was dead, but were worried about Scotland. "Let's find some shade and cry until our hearts are empty," said Malcolm.

"Instead, let's defend Scotland with swords!" said Macduff.

Because of Macbeth, Malcolm wasn't able to quickly trust Macduff's fighting spirit. "You once thought Macbeth was an honest man. He's done nothing to harm you. You even left your family without anyone to defend them. Perhaps you know your family is safe because you and Macbeth planned this visit to England."

Macduff was disappointed. He thought Malcolm would be eager to fight. "Even if Macbeth offered me all the land he controls, I wouldn't betray Scotland."

"I'd bring more grief and disgrace to Scotland than he has," said Malcolm.

"Hell doesn't have a devil more evil than Macbeth," replied Macduff. "When you are king, You'll be so rich that you won't be greedy for more. The good

things about you are more important than the bad," said Macduff.

"I am a liar. I am evil," said Malcolm. "If I had the power, I'd ruin heaven and earth."

"The kingdom can't be saved if the true king is just as evil as Macbeth," said Macduff. "I can't go home again!"

Malcolm told Macduff he'd been testing him to make certain he could trust him. He was so honest and good that these were the first lies Malcolm ever told.

Rosse joined them. "I've just come from Scotland where things have gotten worse. Our country is a stranger to herself. Scotland was our mother, but now she is our grave."

Macduff asked about his wife and children. "They were at peace when I left them," Rosse said slowly and quickly turned to Malcolm. "Macbeth is preparing for war. Come now, and the people will fight for you."

"England is sending us ten thousand men led by Siward, the greatest soldier I know," Malcolm said.

Rosse turned back to Macduff, "I wish I could comfort you the same way." Rosse told Macduff how his family had been savagely killed.

"Revenge will help you get over your grief," said Malcolm after a moment.

"Macbeth has no children," said Macduff, "but he kills all mine in one blow?"

"Fight it like a man," said Malcolm.

"First I must feel it like a man. Did heaven look on and not defend them?" asked Macduff.

"Change your grief into anger," said Malcolm.

Macduff nodded. "I'll fight Macbeth, and he won't escape."

Cruel Macbeth

COMPREHENSION CHECK

Choose the best answer.

Preview Answer:

b. left Scotland.

1. When Lady Macduff said to her son that his father was dead, she
 - a. was teasing him.
 - b. told him Macbeth killed him.
 - c. began to cry.
 - d. made her son cry.
2. After Rosse left, a stranger warned Lady Macduff about
 - a. her husband's death.
 - b. Rosse's death.
 - c. death for herself and children.
 - d. Macbeth's death.
3. After calling Macduff a traitor, the killers
 - a. took Macduff's son.
 - b. took Macduff.
 - c. killed Macduff.
 - d. killed Macduff's family.
4. Macduff asked King Edward for help against Macbeth. Edward is the King of
 - a. Scotland.
 - b. Ireland.
 - c. England.
 - d. the witches.
5. Malcolm lied to Macduff because he
 - a. was going to kill Macduff.
 - b. wanted to run away to Ireland.
 - c. was going to kill Macduff's family.
 - d. was testing Macduff's trust.
6. When Rosse joined Malcolm and Macduff in England, he told them that Macbeth
 - a. was preparing for war.
 - b. took Macduff's family.
 - c. was dead.
 - d. is the King of England.
7. Malcolm said that Siward was
 - a. dead.
 - b. in Ireland.
 - c. the greatest soldier.
 - d. going to kill Rosse.
8. Rosse had to tell Macduff that
 - a. Siward was dead.
 - b. his family was killed.
 - c. Malcolm was a traitor.
 - d. he was a traitor.
9. Another name for this story could be
 - a. "Siward the Great."
 - b. "The King of England."
 - c. "Prepare for War Against Macbeth."
 - d. "Macbeth Takes Over England."
10. This story is mainly about
 - a. Malcolm lying to Macduff.
 - b. Lady Macduff teasing her son.
 - c. Malcolm's family dying.
 - d. the thanes preparing to fight Macbeth for Scotland.

Check your answers with the key on page 67.

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Cruel Macbeth

VOCABULARY CHECK

comfort	control	defend	honest	savage	stranger
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I. Sentences to Finish

Fill in the blank in each sentence with the correct word from the box above.

1. You should never get into the car of a _____.
2. To _____ his honor, the knight had a sword fight with the duke.
3. When I began riding, I had to learn to _____ the horse.
4. In the play, the _____ beast frightened the children.
5. I tried to _____ my friend when she lost her cat.
6. It is always better to tell the truth and be _____, than to tell a lie.

II. Using the Words

On the lines below, write six of your own sentences using the key words from the box above. Use each word once, drawing a line under the key word.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

Check your answers with the key on page 69.

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The Dwarf in a Giant's Robes

PREPARATION

Key Words

crazy	(krā'zē)	having lost the mind's power of reason; not of sound mind <i>The children jumped around as if they had gone <u>crazy</u>.</i>
disease	(də zēz')	illness; poor health <i>Ken's <u>disease</u> kept him in bed most of the time.</i>
medicine	(med'ə sən)	something used to treat or cure an illness <i>When he wasn't getting any better, Jerome's doctor changed his <u>medicine</u>.</i>
obey	(ō bā')	to follow someone's orders <i>When the evil queen told the servant to leave the girl in the forest, he would not <u>obey</u> her orders.</i>
threaten	(thret'n)	say what will be done to hurt or punish someone <i>Mike's parents had to <u>threaten</u> that they would take him off the team if he did not get better grades.</i>
weary	(wir'ē)	very tired <i>Jim was <u>weary</u> after running the five-mile race.</i>

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Necessary Words

armor	(är´mər)	a hard covering that protects the body from attack <i>A knight's <u>armor</u> could protect him from swords, but it would not be strong enough to protect him from guns.</i>
conscience	(kon´shəns)	the understanding of right and wrong <i>Jeremy's <u>conscience</u> bothered him after he took the old woman's parking space.</i>
dwarf	(dwôrf)	a little person <i>A <u>dwarf</u> has a head and body of usual size but short arms and legs.</i>
gentlewoman	(jen´tl wum´ən)	trusted servant to a woman of high rank, such as the Queen of Scotland <i>A <u>gentlewoman</u> must have good manners.</i>
memory	(mem´ə rē)	what the mind remembers <i>My grandmother has hundreds of stories locked in her <u>memory</u>.</i>

People

Cathness	a Scottish thane fighting against Macbeth
Menteth	another Scottish thane fighting against Macbeth
Seyton	a captain in Macbeth's army who passes on the king's orders

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Lady Macbeth moves through the darkness.

- Preview:**
1. Read the name of the story.
 2. Look at the picture.
 3. Read the sentence under the picture.
 4. Read the first three paragraphs of the story.
 5. Then answer the following question.

You learned from your preview that Lady Macbeth

- a. began to walk in her sleep.
- b. killed Macbeth.
- c. killed the gentlewoman.
- d. began to raise an army.

Turn to the Comprehension Check on page 58 for the right answer.

Now read the story.

Read to on to find out what Lady Macbeth says in her sleep.

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The doctor and the gentlewoman waited in a dark hall of Dunsinane Castle. "I'm weary of this. I've watched for two nights, and haven't seen anything," the doctor said. "When did you last see her walk?"

"Since Macbeth went to raise his army. I have seen her get out of bed, take paper from her private closet, write on it, read it, fold it, and return to bed. She sleeps through it all."

Lady Macbeth moved through the dark. The doctor and gentlewoman stepped back from her candle's faint light.

"How did she get that candle?" asked the doctor.

"She ordered that a candle always be by her bed."

"Her eyes are open," said the doctor.

"But their sense is shut," said the gentlewoman.

Lady Macbeth rubbed her hands together, as if washing them. "Here's a spot."

"She speaks," whispered the doctor. "I'll write down what she says to help my memory later."

"Out terrible spot! Out I say!" Lady Macbeth cried. "One--two o'clock--now is the time to do it! You're a soldier, my lord, and you're scared? Yet who would have known the old man had so much blood in him?"

"Did you hear that?" The doctor asked the gentlewoman.

Lady Macbeth continued, "Macduff had a wife. Where is she now? What, will these hands never be clean?"

"Her disease is beyond the help of my medicine," said the doctor.

"Don't look so pale, my love," said Lady Macbeth. "Banquo is dead. He can't come out of his grave."

Did they even kill Banquo?

the doctor wondered.

"To bed," said Lady Macbeth. "There's knocking at the gate. What has been done can't be undone. To bed!"

"Foul rumors fill the air," said the doctor, as darkness swallowed the light from Lady Macbeth's candle. "Crazy minds tell their secrets to their pillows. Her conscience is troubling her. She needs help from heaven, not my medicine."

In the early morning, a few miles from the castle, some of the thanes planned their battle against Macbeth.

"The English are led by Malcolm, Siward, and the good Macduff," said Menteth. "Revenge burns in them."

"We'll meet them near Birnan Wood," said Angus.

"Is Donalbain with them?" asked Cathness.

"He's not on my list," said Lennox. "Siward's son will fight, along with many other lords."

"Some say Macbeth is crazy," said Cathness. "Others, who hate him less, say he's wild from anger. Either way, he can't control himself."

"The secret killings stick to his hands," said Angus. "Some people still obey him, but not from love. His royal name hangs loosely on him, like a giant's robes stolen by a dwarf."

"We'll be the medicine to save the kingdom from this disease!" said Cathness.

Macbeth was preparing for their attack. "Don't tell me any more!" he shouted at a messenger. The doctor and servants waiting on Macbeth looked at each other unhappily. "I don't care if my thanes desert me! The visions said nobody born by a woman shall harm me. Malcolm was born by a woman. He can't

threaten me." Macbeth saw a servant hurry in from outside. "You're so scared, you look as white as a goose."

"My lord, there are ten thousand..."

Macbeth didn't let him finish. "What, ten thousand of your fellow birds?"

"Ten thousand soldiers of the English army."

Macbeth did not know Malcolm would have so much help. He called for Seyton, a captain in his army. "I am weary of this life," Macbeth said, as they waited. "Old age should have honor, love, and friends. In my old age I will be falsely honored, hated, and alone."

When Seyton arrived, Macbeth ordered, "Send more soldiers into the country. Hang anyone who talks of fear. Give me my armor!" Macbeth turned to the doctor. "How is my wife?"

The doctor spoke carefully. Macbeth would threaten him with death if he knew the doctor had listened to the sleeping queen. "She imagines horrors that keep her from resting."

"Can't you pull sadness out of memory? Can't you wipe troubles from the mind?" asked Macbeth. "Isn't there medicine that helps one forget and leaves the heart clean and free?"

The doctor wondered if the king was talking about his own conscience. "When someone is sick in that way, only he can help himself," he said to Macbeth.

"Throw your medicine to the dogs! I need something to clean the English from my kingdom," cried Macbeth. His armor was not fitting correctly. "Bring it after me," he told Seyton. "Nothing can harm me until Birnan Wood comes to Dunsinane."

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COMPREHENSION CHECK

Preview Answer:
a. began to walk in her sleep.

Choose the best answer.

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| <p>① The gentlewoman said Lady Macbeth's senses were shut, meaning Lady Macbeth
 <input type="checkbox"/> a. was walking in her sleep.
 <input type="checkbox"/> b. killed Banquo.
 <input type="checkbox"/> c. didn't need a doctor.
 <input type="checkbox"/> d. liked candles.</p> <p>② When Lady Macbeth said, "Come out terrible spot!" she was dreaming about
 <input type="checkbox"/> a. wine.
 <input type="checkbox"/> b. blood.
 <input type="checkbox"/> c. candles.
 <input type="checkbox"/> d. graves.</p> <p>③ Lady Macbeth says, "What has been done can't be undone." It means she
 <input type="checkbox"/> a. can't go back and change all the evil she and her husband have done.
 <input type="checkbox"/> b. can't change the rumors.
 <input type="checkbox"/> c. won't tell her secrets.
 <input type="checkbox"/> d. wants to leave her husband.</p> <p>4. In the fight for Scotland, the English are led by
 <input type="checkbox"/> a. Macbeth.
 <input type="checkbox"/> b. Menteth, Angus, and Seyton.
 <input type="checkbox"/> c. Malcolm, Siward, and Macduff.
 <input type="checkbox"/> d. Malcolm, Lennox, and Cathness.</p> <p>5. Macbeth doesn't feel threatened by Malcolm because
 <input type="checkbox"/> a. Malcolm is dead.
 <input type="checkbox"/> b. Macbeth can kill Malcolm.
 <input type="checkbox"/> c. Macduff killed Malcolm.
 <input type="checkbox"/> d. Malcolm was born by a woman.</p> | <p>6. Seyton is
 <input type="checkbox"/> a. a captain in the English army.
 <input type="checkbox"/> b. a captain in Macbeth's army.
 <input type="checkbox"/> c. dead.
 <input type="checkbox"/> d. walking in his sleep.</p> <p>7. The doctor tells Macbeth that Lady Macbeth imagines
 <input type="checkbox"/> a. all the people she has killed.
 <input type="checkbox"/> b. witches.
 <input type="checkbox"/> c. ten thousand birds.
 <input type="checkbox"/> d. horrors that keep her from resting.</p> <p>8. Macbeth asks the doctor for, "medicine to help one forget." The doctor wonders if
 <input type="checkbox"/> a. there is any such medicine.
 <input type="checkbox"/> b. Macbeth also wants it for himself.
 <input type="checkbox"/> c. the gentlewoman also needs medicine.
 <input type="checkbox"/> d. Seyton also needs medicine.</p> <p>△9. Another name for this story could be
 <input type="checkbox"/> a. "Lady Macbeth Writes in the Dark."
 <input type="checkbox"/> b. "The Doctor Saves Macbeth."
 <input type="checkbox"/> c. "Disease of the Mind and Scotland."
 <input type="checkbox"/> d. "The Doctor Kills Macbeth."</p> <p>□10. This story is mainly about
 <input type="checkbox"/> a. Seyton obeying Macbeth.
 <input type="checkbox"/> b. Lady Macbeth walking in her sleep.
 <input type="checkbox"/> c. the revenge of Seyton.
 <input type="checkbox"/> d. disease taking over Lady Macbeth's mind and Scotland.</p> |
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The Dwarf in a Giant's Robes

VOCABULARY CHECK

crazy	disease	medicine	obey	threaten	weary
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I. Sentences to Finish

Fill in the blank in each sentence with the correct word from the box above.

1. I had to _____ my brother to give me back my bike.
2. The animals began to act _____ when the storm began.
3. My teacher is _____ of our talking, when we should be studying.
4. My older sister must _____ my parent's rules, or she will have to move out of the house.
5. Ross was sad to learn his grandfather's _____ would probably kill him.
6. The new _____ Miguel began taking made him feel much better.

II. True or False

Mark an X next to TRUE if the sentence makes sense. Mark an X next to FALSE if the sentence does not make sense.

1. I was so **weary**, I decided to run three miles. _____ True _____ False
2. The **disease** made his hair fall out. _____ True _____ False
3. The **medicine** made him feel much better. _____ True _____ False
4. The children were so **crazy**, they fell asleep. _____ True _____ False
5. To **obey** my parent's rule to be in by dinner-time, I came home at midnight. _____ True _____ False
6. I had to **threaten** my brother. I would do all his homework if he didn't give me back my shirt. _____ True _____ False

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The Battle's End

PREPARATION

Key Words

avoid	(ə void')	keep away from <i>Ethan stepped off the path to <u>avoid</u> the mud puddle.</i>
banner	(ban'ər)	flag <i>Edmund carried the <u>banner</u> into battle to show where his group of soldiers were fighting.</i>
creep	(krēp)	to move slowly with the body close to the floor; crawl <i>The thief tried to <u>creep</u> past the family when he heard them coming through the door.</i>
screen	(skrēn)	something that hides or protects <i>The doctor pulled the <u>screen</u> between the beds before she gave John a shot.</i>
victory	(vik'tər ē)	success in a fight or a battle <i>The workers won a <u>victory</u> when they received a raise in pay.</i>
wound	(wünd)	a cut or break in the skin <i>Laurie cleaned the blood from her <u>wound</u> then wrapped it tightly.</i>

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Necessary Words

bough (bou) one of the main branches of a tree
The monkey built her nest on a leafy bough.

idiot (id ē ət) a very stupid or foolish person
Simon got into trouble for calling Sara an idiot.

People

Earl a high rank given to men that was only used in England before Malcolm became king

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“Soon our bedrooms will be safe from killers again,” said Malcolm.

- Preview:**
1. Read the name of the story.
 2. Look at the picture.
 3. Read the sentence under the picture.
 4. Read the first four paragraphs of the story.
 5. Then answer the following question.

You learned from your preview that Macbeth's men

- a. carried boughs to fight Malcolm's men.
- b. were fighting for England.
- c. carried banners to fight Malcolm's men.
- d. crept away when they had the chance.

Turn to the Comprehension Check on page 64 for the right answer.

Now read the story.

Read on to find out what happens as Macbeth's third vision comes true.

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"Soon our bedrooms will be safe from killers again," said Malcolm. He watched his banner flapping in the breeze with the flags of Scotland and England, as his soldiers stood in front of Birnan Wood.

"Each man cut down a bough and carry it before you," Malcolm told the soldiers. "Macbeth won't be able to count us behind the screen of branches."

"He'll stay in the castle when we attack," said Siward.

"He can't face us in the field," said Malcolm. "His men creep away when they see their chance."

Macbeth didn't know that the third vision was coming true as Malcolm carried a Birnan bough toward Dunsinane Castle. Macbeth was still certain of his victory. He watched as his banners were hung on the castle's outer wall. When women screamed inside, Macbeth didn't recognize the sound of grief. "What's that noise?"

"That's the cry of women," said Seyton, as he rushed inside.

I've almost forgotten the taste of fear, thought Macbeth. *I've invited so many horrors into my soul that nothing evil startles me.*

Seyton ran back outside. "The Queen is dead!"

Macbeth didn't ask how she had died. "She would've died someday," he said. Time had lost its meaning. "Tomorrow and tomorrow creeps ahead of us until the end of time. All of our yesterdays have led fools to dusty death. Out, out brief candle. Life is a story, told by an idiot--noisy, wild, and meaning nothing."

A messenger entered. "Birnan Wood is moving."

"If you're lying, I'll hang you from the nearest tree. If you're

telling the truth, you may as well hang me," said Macbeth. "If Birnan Wood is coming to Dunsinane, I can't avoid the battle. We're going into the field!" Macbeth shouted to his men.

When his army was close enough to the castle, Malcolm ordered his soldiers to throw down their leafy screens. Siward and his son, Malcolm's cousin, led the first attack. Macduff and Malcolm followed.

Soon Macbeth was deep into the battle. *They have chained me like a fighting bear at a country fair,* he thought as his sword struck down another soldier. *I'm forced to fight when I'd rather run.* He remembered the words the second vision had told him. *But no man born by a woman can harm me!*

Siward's son saw Macbeth. "Macbeth! The devil couldn't speak a more hateful name to my ear," said Siward's son.

They began to fight. Young Siward fell to the ground. "You were born by a woman," Macbeth said as he walked away from the body.

Macduff was searching for Macbeth. *If he is dead from another man's sword, my family's ghosts will never rest!* he thought.

After Malcolm had won the castle, Macduff finally saw Macbeth. "Turn around!" he shouted.

Macbeth's conscience hurt when he saw Macduff. "Of all men, I have avoided you," said Macbeth. "Stay away from me so you don't get hurt. My soul is already too heavy with the blood of your family."

"I'll answer with my sword," said Macduff.

"You can't wound me," said Macbeth. "I'm protected by a

charm. Nobody born by a woman can harm me."

"Your charm is no good against me," said Macduff. "I wasn't born by my mother. I was cut from her stomach early to save me from death."

"My hope is broken," said Macbeth. "I won't fight with you."

"I'll put you on the street with a sign around your neck so all the people can see cowardly Macbeth."

Macbeth raised his sword. After a fierce fight, he lay dead at Macduff's feet.

The battle was won. "You bought your victory with very few lives," Siward told Malcolm.

Rosse had seen what happened between Macbeth and Siward's son. He told Siward how his son died.

"Was he fighting bravely face to face, or was he attacked from behind?" asked Siward. Rosse said young Siward received the deadly wound from the front. The proud father replied, "I couldn't wish my son a better death! Seeing Macduff alive will comfort us!"

Macbeth's head hung from Macduff's hand. If Macbeth had been able to take the helmet off the first vision's head that morning in the witches' cave, he would have seen his own face. He had watched the second and third visions come true, but now he wasn't alive to see the first.

"Hail, King of Scotland!" Macduff said to Malcolm.

"I'm rewarding my loyal thanes with a new rank in our kingdom. You are earls now. Those who helped my enemy will be punished. His queen killed herself by her own hands," said Malcolm. "Our new kingdom is free to grow."

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COMPREHENSION CHECK

Choose the best answer.

Preview Answer:
d. crept away when they had the chance.

1. Malcolm told the soliders to carry boughs
 - a. to hang the banners.
 - b. to fight with.
 - c. to clear Birnan Wood.
 - d. so Macbeth could not count the soliders behind the branches.

2. The third vision was coming true as
 - a. Macbeth's soliders carried branches.
 - b. the queen killed herself.
 - c. Seyton carried branches.
 - d. Malcolm carried a Birnan bough toward Dunsinane Castle.

3. The women cried inside the castle because
 - a. Lady Macbeth killed herself.
 - b. Macbeth killed himself.
 - c. the third vision was coming true.
 - d. Siward was attacking the castle.

4. For Macbeth, life meant
 - a. being with his wife again.
 - b. nothing.
 - c. being the King of England.
 - d. time.

5. When Macbeth learned Birnan Wood was coming to the castle, he knew
 - a. he had to kill his wife.
 - b. Malcolm was dead.
 - c. he had to go into battle.
 - d. he had to hang the messenger.

6. Macbeth wasn't afraid to fight after he remembered the second vision, which was
 - a. to fight for Birnan Wood.
 - b. to fight like a bear.
 - c. that his son would soon be King.
 - d. that no man born of a woman could harm him.

7. Who was not born of a woman and killed Macbeth?
 - a. Rosse
 - b. Macduff
 - c. Malcolm
 - d. Siward

8. In the end, who was hailed as the new King of Scotland?
 - a. Rosse
 - b. Macduff
 - c. Malcolm
 - d. Siward

9. Another name for this story could be
 - a. "Evil Dies in Scotland."
 - b. "The Queen is Dead."
 - c. "Malcolm Wins the Castle."
 - d. "Hope is Broken."

10. This story is mainly about
 - a. Macbeth's conscience.
 - b. the death of Siward's son.
 - c. Macbeth killing Malcolm.
 - d. the death of the evil world Macbeth and his wife made, giving Scotland hope for a good future.

Check your answers with the key on page 67.

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The Battle's End

VOCABULARY CHECK

avoid	banner	creep	screen	victory	wound
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I. Sentences to Finish

Fill in the blank in each sentence with the correct word from the box above.

1. To _____ the traffic jam, we took another road.
2. Sal will carry our school's _____ on the field before the big football game.
3. After cutting his leg on the fence, David had to go to the hospital to have his _____ treated.
4. The other team's _____ made our coach upset.
5. In a fire, you should _____ along the floor to avoid breathing in smoke.
6. My dad put a _____ between our beds, so we would have our own space.

II. Mixed-up Words

Unscramble the letters in Column A to spell out the keywords. Then draw a line from each word to its meaning in Column B.

Column A

1. davio _____
2. douwn _____
3. nabren _____
4. pecer _____
5. toyiver _____
6. ceerns _____

Column B

- a. to crawl
- b. success in a fight or battle
- c. to keep away from
- d. a flag
- e. a cut or break in the skin
- f. something that hides or protects

Check your answers with the key on page 69.

COMPREHENSION CHECK ANSWER KEY

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- ⊙ = Inference (not said straight out, but you know from what is said)
- △ = Another name for the story
- = Main idea of the story

VOCABULARY CHECK ANSWER KEY

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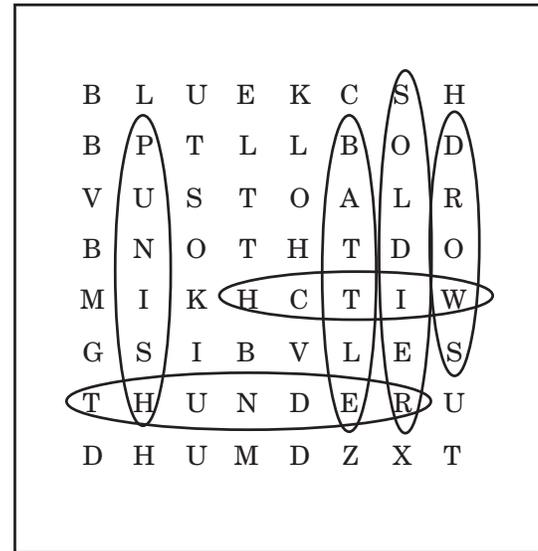
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1. thunder
 2. battle
 3. soldier
 4. witch
 5. punish
 6. sword

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2 THE THANE OF CAWDOR

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- I.**
1. messenger
 2. castle
 3. success
 4. chosen
 5. future
 6. Human

- II.**
1. f
 2. c
 3. a
 4. b
 5. e
 6. d

3 A DAGGER IN THE NIGHT

23

- I.**
1. servant
 2. cruel
 3. guest
 4. wine
 5. protect
 6. duty

- II.**
1. No
 2. No
 3. No
 4. Yes
 5. Yes
 6. Yes

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4 A PAINTED DEVIL

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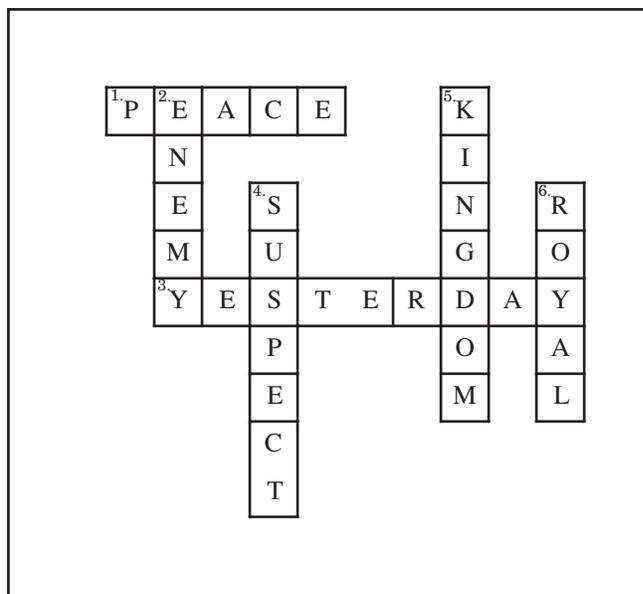
- I.**
1. ashamed
 2. deed
 3. porter
 4. pray
 5. dangerous
 6. nature

5 KING MACBETH

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- I.**
1. royal
 2. suspect
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6 BANQUO'S GHOST

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1. stomach
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 5. perfect
 6. spy

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 2. b
 3. a
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	6. False	

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- I.**
1. avoid
 2. banner
 3. wound
 4. victory
 5. creep
 6. screen

- II.**
1. avoid, c
 2. wound, e
 3. banner, d
 4. creep, a
 5. victory, b
 6. screen, f

PRONUNCIATION KEY

The pronunciation of each word is shown just after the word, in this way:

ab bre vi ate (əbrē' vĕ āt).

The letters and signs used are pronounced as in the words below.

The mark ´ is placed after a syllable with primary or heavy accent, as in the example above.

The mark ˘ after a syllable shows a secondary or lighter accent, as in:

ab bre via tion (əbrē' vĕ ā˘ shən).

a	hat, cap	j	jam, enjoy	t	tell, it
ā	age, face	k	kind, seek	th	thin, both
ä	father, far	l	land, coal	TH	then, smooth
â	fault, all	m	me, am		
ã	air, care	n	no, in	ù	cup, butter
		ng	long, bring	u	full, put
b	bad, rob			ü	rule, move
ch	child, much				
d	did, red	ō	hot, rock	v	very, save
		o	open, go	w	will, woman
e	let, best	ô	order, all	y	young, yet
ē	equal, be	oi	oil, voice	z	zero, breeze
èr	term, learn	ou	house, out	zh	measure, seizure
f	fat, if			ə	represents:
g	go, bag			a	in about
h	he, how	p	paper, cup	e	in taken
		r	run, try	i	in pencil
i	it, pin	s	say, yes	o	in lemon
ī	ice, five	sh	she, rush	u	in circus