

Macbeth Act 1-5

Macbeth Act 1

- The play begins with Scotland at war with invaders from Norway.
- Macbeth is a good fighter and has honored himself on the battlefield.
- Witches bring prophecies to Macbeth and Banquo.
- The prophecies begin to come true.
- Macbeth begins to force prophecies to come true.

The Plan to be King

- Get the king's servants drunk
- Drug their drinks
- Macbeth will take the servants' daggers and stab the king.
- The bloody daggers will be left with the servants so they look guilty.

Macbeth Act 2

- Banquo asks Macbeth about the prophecy and Macbeth says that he hasn't thought about it.
- Macbeth does want to discuss it later.
- The King arrives.
- The plan is set in motion.
- Macbeth does the deed but can't take the daggers back to the chamberlain men - Lady Macbeth has to do this.
- Macduff discovers King Duncan dead.
- King's sons Malcolm and Donalbain flee - scared that they will be accused as well as fearful of their own murder.

Macbeth Act 3

- Macbeth is King
- Macbeth doesn't trust Banquo - because of the prophecy
- Macbeth begins plotting against Banquo.
- Banquo is murdered
- Fleance escapes
- Witches will reveal more of Macbeth's destiny.
- Lords are getting suspicious
- Where is Macduff ?

Macbeth Act 4

- Macbeth visits the witches and receives another prophecy.
- Macbeth decides Macduff needs to be dealt with.
- Macduff visits Malcolm in England
- Things are going badly in Scotland
- England has promised 10,000 troops and Siward, a great soldier, to help defeat Macbeth.
- Ross tells Macduff that while he has been away his family has been slaughtered.

Macbeth Act 5

- Lady Macbeth is showing signs of insanity. She sleep walks and talks - trying to wash the blood from her stained hands.
- The nobles gather and discuss whether to side with Macbeth or Malcolm.
- The nobles know that Macbeth murdered the king.
- Macbeth feels powerful because of the new prophecies from the witches.
- Macbeth learns that the English have given 120,000 men to help overthrow him.
- Lady Macbeth continues to lose her sanity.
- Malcolm orders his men to cut branches from Birnam Wood to use to hide the number of men that they have.
- Macbeth prepares for war.

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- A messenger tells Macbeth that Birnam Wood is marching toward them.
- Lady Macbeth commits suicide.
- Malcolm and his army are outside of the castle and ready to attack.
- Malcolm and his men find Macbeth's men join their side.
- Macbeth and Macduff face each other in battle.
- Macbeth is not afraid because "no man of woman born can harm him".
- Macduff tells him that he was born of a "c" section - caesarian
- Macduff kills Macbeth
- Malcolm becomes King of Scotland.