

End of Act I – Student Review

Fill in the blanks with the appropriate answers based on our study of Act I.

1. List the only 3 characters introduced in scene I _____
2. What atmosphere is established in the first scene of the play? _____
3. What battle is referred to as being “lost and won”? _____
4. What is the name of the device used in the line above? _____
5. What is the name of the King of Scotland introduced in scene 2? _____
6. What is the name of his oldest son? _____
7. List one image that is used to depict Macbeth’s abilities on the military field.

8. What does the King refer to in saying “What he hath lost, noble Macbeth hath won”?

9. List two traitors executed in the early scenes of the play. _____
10. What is the name of Macbeth’s companion who is with him when the three witches meet him in scene 3? _____
11. Identify 3 powers the witches have. _____
12. Identify 1 limitation they also have _____
13. What is the most crucial prediction the witches foretell Macbeth? _____
14. How does the news Banquo received differ from that of Macbeth?

15. What warning does Banquo give Macbeth after hearing their news?

16. Who are the two men who arrive on the scene to tell Macbeth of his good fortune bestowed by the King? _____
17. When Macbeth hears this news, he is surprised, yet we as readers of the play already knew of his good fortune. This is an example of _____
18. List an example of irony from scene 4 _____
19. Explain the significance of Duncan naming Malcolm as his heir in scene 4

20. From whom does Lady Macbeth first hear that the King will visit her castle? _____
21. What does Macbeth’s letter to his wife reveal to us about their relationship?

22. Lady Macbeth speaks to herself in a _____ after reading her husband’s letter.
23. List two qualities Lady Macbeth says makes her husband “unfit” to betray Duncan

24. Why does she call on “Spirits” to “unsex” her? _____
25. By scene v, what factors are influencing Macbeth to murder the King?

26. What part will time and place play in relation to the murder of Duncan?

27. What qualities would make Lady Macbeth a better assassin? _____
28. How is scene vi an example of dramatic irony? _____
29. Where is Macbeth in scene vi and what is he doing?

30. What are the two main reasons why Macbeth refuses to kill the king?

31. What insult, spoken by his wife, primarily motivates Macbeth to go ahead with his wife’s plan?

32. Name two noblemen who accompany Duncan to Macbeth’s castle. _____