



# Macbeth Witches, Ghosts, Visions, and Prophecy

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People who lived during Shakespeare's time were, as a whole, far more superstitious than most people are today. Superstition is a way to explain the things in the world that are considered unexplainable. During the Elizabethan era, many people held the superstitious belief that invisible forces and fantastical elements in the world held power and sway over their lives.

Your job is to create a presentation that demonstrates the power and influence of the supernatural during Shakespeare's time and to explain how these beliefs would have influenced the character of Macbeth. For your presentation, complete the following tasks:

1. Choose one or more of the following subjects:

**Witches**

**Ghosts**

**Visions and Prophecy**

2. Using either the links listed below or a search engine, find historical information about your chosen subject. While the information you find can include some general details about the subject, your search should focus on Elizabethan attitudes and beliefs.

3. Using Prezi, PowerPoint, Google Slides, or any other presentation software of your choice, create an informative presentation highlighting the most relevant and interesting information you found.

4. Include a slide that connects your researched information to one scene from *Macbeth* that depicts your chosen supernatural phenomena. This slide should include a visual that represents the scene, a relevant quote from the play that represents the scene, and an explanation of how the depicted supernatural event demonstrates the power this force has over Macbeth and how it may have led him to corruption.

Be sure to include a works cited slide at the end of your presentation, citing both the website(s) you referenced and any images used.