



Macbeth Something Wicked This Way Comes

Choose one scene from each of the five acts in *Macbeth* that demonstrates how Macbeth is increasingly corrupted by the promise and wielding of power, ultimately leading to his descent into madness. In each speech bubble below, record one properly cited quote (up to four lines) that best represents the scene. Then, in the text box below the quote, write two to three sentences explaining how Macbeth is tempted or corrupted by power in the scene.

Act 1

Quote: "[W]hy do I yield to that suggestion / Whose horrid image doth unfix my hair / And make my seated heart knock at my ribs, / Against the use of nature?" (1.3.137-140)

How Power Corrupts

Macbeth has just learned that he has become the new Thane of Cawdor. At first, he is so terrified at the idea that his heart seems to "knock" at his ribs, suggesting that his first thought is that in order to become king, he must kill the king.

Act 2

Quote:

How Power Corrupts**Act 3**

Quote:

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Act 4

Quote:

Act 5

Quote:



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RL.11-12.1 Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.

RL.11-12.2 Determine two or more themes or central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to produce a complex account; provide an objective summary of the text.

RL.11-12.3 Analyze the impact of the author's choices regarding how to develop and relate elements of a story or drama (e.g., where a story is set, how the action is ordered, how the characters are introduced and developed).