

Key words and themes

Character - Macbeth			
Key vocabulary relating to the protagonist Macbeth:			
ambition	regicide	treachery	masculinity
uncertainty	equivocation	tyranny	hubris.
Key scenes:			
1.2	1.7	2.2	3.4
5.5	1.3	2.1	3.1
4.1	5.8		

Character - Lady Macbeth			
Key vocabulary relating to Lady Macbeth:			
femininity	manipulation	villainy	conscience
cruelty	duplicity	amorality.	
Key scenes:			
1.5	1.7	2.2	3.2
3.4	5.1	5.5	

Character - the witches			
Key vocabulary relating to the witches:			
supernatural	prophecy	malevolence	equivocation
destiny	inevitability	manipulation.	
Key scenes:			
1.1	1.3	3.5	4.1
5.8			



Character - Banquo				
Key vocabulary relating to Banquo:				
ambition	morality	duty	betrayal	
sacrifice	succession	legacy.		
Key scenes:				
1.2	1.3	2.1	3.1	
3.3				

Character - Macduff				
Key vocabulary relating to Macduff:				
duty	revenge	heroic	bravery	
honour	masculinity.			
Key scenes:				
2.3	2.4	4.2	4.3	
5.7	5.8	5.9		

Character - Duncan				
Key vocabulary relating to Duncan:				
succession	divine right of kings	virtuous	hierarchical.	
Key scenes:				
1.2	1.4	1.6	1.7	



Theme - guilt			
Vocabulary relating to guilt:			
culpability	remorse	responsibility	sin
morality	penitence	conscience	transgression
condemnation.			
Key scenes:			
2.1	2.2	3.1	3.2
3.4	4.1	5.1	

Theme - supernatural			
Key vocabulary relating to the supernatural:			
metaphysical	spectral	unearthly	unnatural
incredible	false	strange.	
Key scenes:			
1.1	1.5	1.3	2.1
2.3	3.4	4.1	5.1

Theme - fate and inevitability			
Key vocabulary relating to fate and inevitability:			
destiny	providence	predestined	omniscience
intention	responsibility	guilt	conscience.
Key scenes:			
1.1	1.2	1.3	1.7
2.1	2.4	3.4	4.1
5.3	5.7	5.8	

Theme - treachery and betrayal			
Key vocabulary relating to treachery and betrayal:			
divine right of kings	duty	honour	disloyalty
duplicity	deception	trust	faith
false.			
Key scenes:			
1.2	1.5	1.7	2.1
2.2	2.3	3.1	3.4
4.2			

Theme - gender			
Key vocabulary relating to gender:			
masculinity	femininity	gentleness	emasculate
patriarchal	succession	convention	fertility
vulnerability.			
Key scenes:			
1.2	1.5	1.7	2.2
3.1	3.4	4.1	4.3
5.1	5.8		

Theme - blood and violence			
Key vocabulary relating to blood and violence:			
bloodshed	brutality	destructiveness	savagery
disordered	guilt	conscience.	
Key scenes:			
1.2	2.1	2.2	3.4
4.2	5.1	5.8	

Theme - honour and duty			
Key vocabulary relating to honour and duty:			
integrity	fidelity	justice	virtuous
conscience	morality	nobility.	
Key scenes:			
1.2	1.7	2.1	2.3
3.1	3.4	3.6	4.3

Theme - power and ambition			
Key vocabulary relating to power and ambition:			
desire	morality	tyranny	exploitation
aspiration	accomplish	status.	
Key scenes:			
1.4	1.5	1.7	3.1
4.1	4.3	5.1	

