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English test

Shakespeare paper: *Macbeth*

Please read this page, but do not open the booklet until your teacher tells you to start.

Write your name, the name of your school and the title of the play you have studied on the cover of your answer booklet.

This booklet contains one task which assesses your reading and understanding of *Macbeth* and has 18 marks.

You have **45 minutes** to complete this task.

Macbeth

Act 2 Scene 2, lines 8 to 66
Act 5 Scene 5, line 1 to the end

In the first extract, Macbeth is affected by the death of Duncan, and in the second, by the death of Lady Macbeth. In both, he realises that he is in danger.

Explain how Macbeth reacts to death and to danger in these extracts.

Support your ideas by referring to both of the extracts which are printed on the following pages.

18 marks

Macbeth

Act 2 Scene 2, lines 8 to 66

In this extract, Macbeth has killed King Duncan and he tells Lady Macbeth his fears.

MACBETH	Who's there? What ho?	
LADY MACBETH	Alack, I am afraid they have awaked, And 'tis not done; th'attempt and not the deed Confounds us – hark – I laid their daggers ready, He could not miss 'em. Had he not resembled My father as he slept, I had done't. My husband?	10
MACBETH	I have done the deed. Didst thou not hear a noise?	
LADY MACBETH	I heard the owl scream and the crickets cry. Did not you speak?	15
MACBETH	When?	
LADY MACBETH	Now.	
MACBETH	As I descended?	
LADY MACBETH	Ay.	20
MACBETH	Hark, who lies i'th'second chamber?	
LADY MACBETH	Donaldbain.	
MACBETH	This is a sorry sight.	
LADY MACBETH	A foolish thought, to say a sorry sight.	
MACBETH	There's one did laugh in's sleep, and one cried, 'Murder!' That they did wake each other; I stood, and heard them, But they did say their prayers and addressed them Again to sleep.	25
LADY MACBETH	There are two lodged together.	
MACBETH	One cried 'God bless us!' and 'Amen' the other,	

Turn over

