Act II

- 1. What is Macbeth's lie to Banquo about the witches' predictions?
- 2. What is the signal Lady Macbeth is to give Macbeth to let him know that she has taken care of the guards (grooms)?
- 3. What excuse does Lady Macbeth give for not killing Duncan herself?
- 4. After Macbeth kills Duncan, he goes to Lady Macbeth and is concerned about not being able to say "Amen." What is her advice to him?
- 5. Then, Macbeth is worried about hearing a voice saying, "Macbeth does murder sleep." What does Lady Macbeth then tell him to do?
- 6. Why won't Macbeth take the daggers back to the scene of the crime?
- 7. Who was knocking?
- 8. What three things does drinking provoke?
- 9. How does Lennox describe the night, and what is Macbeth's response?
- 10. What did Macduff discover?
- 11. Macduff says, "Oh, gentle lady, 'Tis not for you to hear what I can speak. The repetition, in a woman's ear, Would murder as it fell." What is ironic about this?
- 12. What excuse or explanation did Macbeth give for killing the guards (grooms)? What is his real reason?
- 13. Why do Malcolm and Donalbain leave?
- 14. Why does Ross not believe Malcolm and Donalbain were responsible for Duncan's murder?

Act III

- 15. Why does Macbeth want Banquo and Fleance dead?
- 16. What is Macbeth's plan for killing Banquo and Fleance? Does it work?
- 17. Macbeth says, "The worm that's fled Hath nature that in time will venom breed, No teeth for the present." What does that mean?
- 18. Who (what) did Macbeth see at the banquet table?
- 19. How does Lady Macbeth cover for Macbeth at the banquet? What excuses does she give for his wild talk?
- 20. Who else was missing from the banquet table (besides Banquo)?
- 21. Macbeth says, "I am in blood Stepped in so far that should I wade no more, Returning were as tedious as go o'er." What does he mean?
- 22. What does Hecate want the witches to do?
- 23. What does Lennox think about Macbeth, Fleance, and Duncan's sons?

Act IV

- 24. Witch 2 says, "By the pricking of my thumb, Something wicked this way comes." Who comes?
- 25. What is Macbeth's attitude towards the witches this time?
- 26. What four things did the witches show Macbeth? What does each show/say? What is Macbeth's reaction?
- 27. Macbeth says (about the witches), "Infected be the air whereon they ride, And damned all those that trust them!" What is Macbeth, in effect, saying about himself?
- 28. Where is Macduff?
- 29. Why does Macbeth have Macduff's family and servants killed?
- 30. Why does Lady Macduff's son say liars and swearers are fools?
- 31. Malcolm says, "Angels are bright still, though the brightest fell. Though all things foul would wear the brows of grace, Yet grace must still look so." What does that mean?
- 32. Macduff says, "Oh, Scotland, Scotland!" Why?
- 33. What news does Ross bring to Macduff?

Act V

- 34. What do the doctor and gentlewoman see Lady Macbeth doing? What do they decide to do about it?
- 35. What does Macbeth want the doctor to do for his wife?
- 36. What trick does Malcolm use to hide the number of men in his army?
- 37. Malcolm says, "And none serve with him but constrained things Whose hearts are absent, too." What does that mean?
- 38. What is Macbeth's reaction to Lady Macbeth's death?
- 39. What is Macbeth's reaction to the news that Birnam Wood is moving?
- 40. Who first fights Macbeth? What happens?
- 41. Macbeth says to Macduff, "But get thee back, my soul is too much charged With blood of thine already." To what is he referring?
- 42. When does Macbeth know he's in trouble?
- 43. How does Macbeth die?
- 44. Who will be King of Scotland?