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Unit 1: A Royal Mess
Exam 2 Study Guide: *Macbeth*

INSTRUCTIONS: Complete the following study guide to help you study for your exam on *Macbeth*. Use your notes and textbooks to find the information you need. If you complete this study guide and turn it in on the day of the test, you will earn an extra five points on your exam.

Section 1, Important Characters: Write thorough descriptions of the following characters from *Macbeth*.

1. Banquo:

2. Hecate:

3. King Duncan:

4. Lady Macbeth:

5. Lennox:

6. Macbeth:

7. Macduff:

8. Malcolm:

9. Ross:

10. Young Siward:

Section 2, Important Terms: Define each of the following terms. In addition, provide examples of the terms in order to help you remember them more easily.

1. Tragedy:

2. Tragic hero:

3. Tragic flaw:

4. Paradox:

5. Aside:

6. Soliloquy:

7. Motif:

8. Iambic pentameter:

9. Blank verse:

Section 3, Shakespeare and *Macbeth*: Respond to each of the following about Shakespeare and *Macbeth*.

A. *Macbeth* and Shakespeare Facts

1. Shakespeare wrote _____ plays and _____ sonnets.

2. Basis of *Macbeth*:

B. *Macbeth*'s Context

1. Renaissance: _____ - _____

2. Renaissance definition:

3. Curiosity:

4. Humanism:

5. Johannes Gutenberg:

6. Queen Elizabeth I:

a. Creative arts:

b. "Speech to the Troops at Tilbury":

c. “When I Was Fair and Young”:

7. King James I:

8. Women in the Renaissance:

C. The Three Witches

1. Prophecies to Macbeth:

2. Prophecies to Banquo:

D. Lady Macbeth’s “Unsex me here!” Soliloquy:

E. The Three Apparitions

1. Prophecies:

F. *Macbeth* = Tragic Hero

1. Macbeth’s tragic flaw:

2. Macbeth’s downfall:

G. Lady Macbeth’s “Out, damned spot!” sleepwalking monologue:

H. Macbeth’s “Out, out, brief candle!” speech:

I. Theme of *Macbeth*: