

# “Julius Caesar”

Close Reading assignments

# Brutus's argument: Why should Caesar fall?

□ Complete the following:

▣ Lens #1: What is the Brutus's point of view here?

- What is he thinking?
- What does he believe?
- What does he want?



First- Provide an 'overarching' answer.

Then.....record the specific lines/parts of lines and then a paraphrase of those supporting lines.

## Lens #2: Brutus and the conspirators



Read scene one ( ends on page 810) – as you are reading this scene, stop and closely read the following Pg. 802- lines 114-140- Brutus

1. In your own words, what reasons does Brutus give as to why the conspirators have no need to swear an oath. ( Use the sidebar to help you understand text)

Pg. 803 lines 162-183- Brutus

2. What reasons does Brutus give for not killing Antony as well as Caesar?

3. What reasons are given that Caesar must die?

4. If you were playing Brutus, how would these lines be delivered?

Pg. 806 lines 261-278

5. What is it that Portia is asking of Brutus?

6. What emotion is expressed? ( Is she excited, joyful, angry, hurt, worried, concerned....)