

# Macbeth

William Shakespeare

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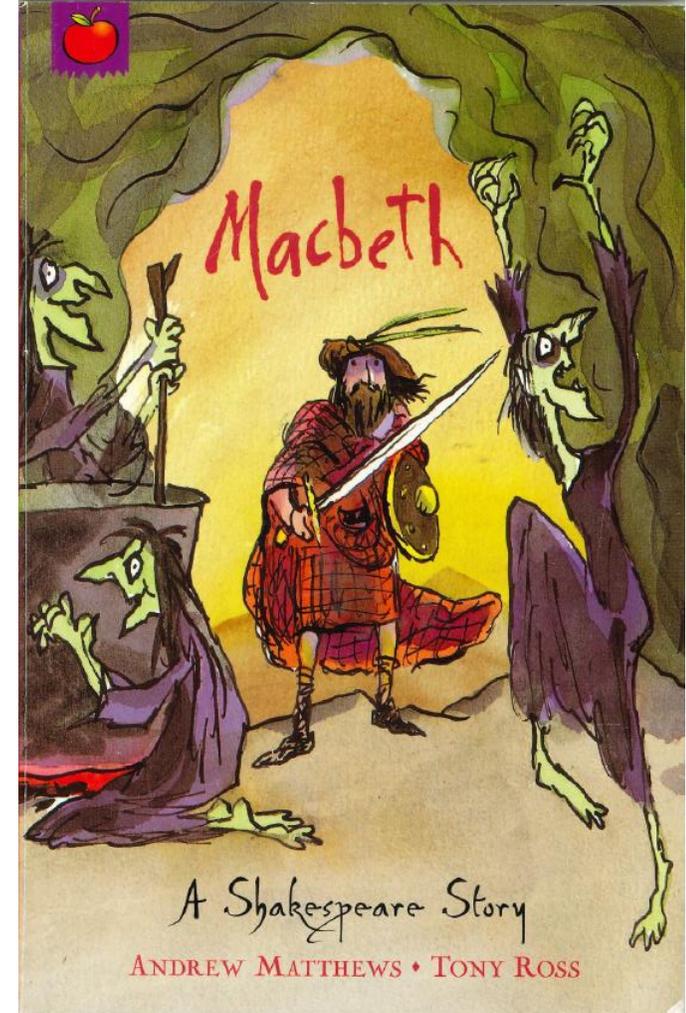
[KS2 English: Macbeth. 1: The Weird Sisters - BBC Teach](#)

[KS2 English: Macbeth. 2: All hail, Macbeth! Thane of Cawdor! - BBC Teach](#)

Watch the video I will post on the class story on Monday. I will introduce the story of Macbeth and then read the extract.

I have posted a PDF of the book we will be reading. You can choose to look at this as well. This week we will be reading up to page 23.

Watch these two short video clips of the story. They have broken the story up into 8 parts. This week, we are focusing on parts one and two.



# Cast List



The Three Witches - or Weird Sisters



Macbeth

Thane of Glamis  
General to King Duncan



Lady Macbeth  
Wife to Macbeth



Banquo

General to King Duncan



King Duncan  
King of Scotland



Malcolm and Donalbain

The King's sons



Macduff

Thane of Fife



A servant of  
Glamis Castle



Two  
Murderers

The Scene

Scotland in the eleventh century.

## Task 1:

As we watch the videos and listen to the story I would like you to make notes about the different characters. You could use drawings too.

I recommend writing their name at the top of a page as you will need to add to it each week as we read more of the story.

As we listen to the story, note down what you know about the characters so far.



apply word  
reading strategies

notice breakdown  
and fix it

Words I am not sure about	The definition
Thane (of Cawdor)	(in Scotland) a man, often the chief of a clan, who held land from a Scottish king and ranked with an earl's son.
Cawdor	A place in Scotland

## Task 2:

Create your own glossary to help you with unknown words. As you come across an unknown word, write it down then find the meaning of the word. You could use a dictionary, or an online dictionary, ask an adult or send me a message to find out.

### Dictionaries:

Here are some suggestions for online dictionaries. The first one is designed for young people and is very good. However, it may not have all of the words you need so I have also included a full dictionary website too.

[Free On-Line English Dictionary | Thesaurus | Children's, Intermediate Dictionary | Wordsmyth Dictionary.com](#) | [Meanings and Definitions of Words at Dictionary.com](#)

## Get the gist

- ✓ Capture the spirit of the text – what is it about?
- ✓ What is the purpose of this text?
- ✓ Who is the audience?
- ✓ Notice connections between ideas.
- ✓ What is the author's overall viewpoint?



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## Task:

Once you have listened to this part of the story and watched the videos, write a short paragraph explaining what has happened so far. You could choose to draw a story map instead if you would prefer.

## Ask questions

- ✓ Pause and reflect on your reading – be inquisitive.
- ✓ Deepen your thinking.
- ✓ What do you want to know more about?
- ✓ What information has the author left out that puzzles you?
- ✓ Question decisions an author has made, eg word choices, style, bias.
- ✓ Ask 'what', 'why' and 'how' questions.
- ✓ Ask what the author wants you to feel, think, imagine and do.



ask questions

## Task:

Write three questions you would like answered. Use the question card to help you. Think carefully about these questions and how they might help you understand the story or the characters in more detail.