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?