

Macbeth Guided Notes

1. Who is the author of *Macbeth*? _____

2. Shakespeare's play _____ conforms to the general rule of Renaissance _____, in which the drama had to be about real people.

3. Where did Shakespeare take the main events of Macbeth's career as king of Scotland from?

Rapahael Holinshed's _____ of _____, and _____ (1577).

4. Differences between Shakespeare's account of Macbeth and Holinshed's account of Macbeth:

Holinshed's historical Account	Shakespeare's Account
The historical _____ had a legitimate claim to _____ Duncan's throne.	Shakespeare's _____ has _____ supporters except his _____, whose _____ ambitious nature _____ develops from a brief statement in the _____.
The historical _____ gained the throne with the help of other _____ dissatisfied with _____ Duncan, and he ruled rather _____.	

5. In the play what does the reign of Macbeth and Lady Macbeth bring?

_____ and _____ to _____

6. The Gun Powder Plot of _____

Catholic zealots threaten to: _____ up King

_____ I and his _____

7. If he ever saw it, _____ must have pleased _____

_____, the patron of Shakespeare's company.

Name: _____ Date: _____ Period: _____

8. James always defended the idea that he _____ by _____ right.

9. Moreover, he was a _____ and claimed to be a _____ descendant of _____, to whom the third witch says, " _____

_____."

10. _____ True or False? Macbeth is one of Shakespeare's longest plays.

11. Shakespeare made many changes in Holinshed's story because he was more interested in what type of truth?

12. Macbeth is also about _____ people, _____ and women _____ by _____ and _____, caught up in a web of _____ and _____.

13. Shakespeare's _____ transcends the _____ Macbeth and gives us a _____ and a _____ for all _____.