

Lesson 5-“A little water clears us of this deed”

Act II- Scenes 1-2

Essential Question: What effect does the murder of the king have on Macbeth and Lady Macbeth?

Activator: Two can keep a secret if one is dead.

Brainstorm the following:

- What does Banquo know?
- How could he hurt Macbeth?
- Why would he want to hurt Macbeth?
- Why would Macbeth want to keep him safe?
- Why would Macbeth want to dispose of him?

Notes:

Activity 1: Close Reading of 2.1

Testing the Waters:

What is the result of Macbeth's conversation with Banquo?

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After the Videos:

How is Banquo like the baby alligators?

Activity 2: “Is This a Dagger?” Analysis in Groups.

In groups of three or four you will deconstruct Macbeth’s famous speech and answer the questions on the side of the worksheet.

Activity 3: Video of 2.2-Performance

Activity 4: Close Reading of 2.2

Notice:

- Lady Macbeth’s scattered speech
- Lady Macbeth’s hidden fear
- Macbeth’s reaction to the deed
- Macbeth’s imagined voices and inability to pray
- Macbeth’s inability to frame the guards

Activity 5: Scavenger Hunt

You will be in one of the groups below. You will use quotes from 2.2 to prove the statement that goes along with your character.

Lady Macbeth Group	Macbeth Group
Prove that Lady Macbeth is nervous, but also believes that they must go on with the original plan and put the murders behind them.	Prove that Macbeth has regrets about killing the king and that he is afraid of the consequences of his actions.

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My Character: _____

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