



PRESENTATION ON MACBETH

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SHAKESPEAREAN MACBETH

- Macbeth is today best known as the main character of William Shakespeare's tragedy Macbeth and the many works that it has inspired.
- However, Shakespeare's Macbeth is based on Raphael Holinshed's Chronicles (published in 1577) and is not historically accurate.



SHAKESPEARE'S 'THE TRAGEDY OF MACBETH'

- A brave Scottish general named Macbeth receives a prophecy from a trio of witches that one day he will become King of Scotland.
- Consumed by ambition and spurred to action by his wife, Macbeth murders King Duncan and takes the Scottish throne for himself.



- He is then wracked with guilt and paranoia.
- Forced to commit more and more murders to protect himself from enmity and suspicion, he soon becomes a tyrannical ruler.
- The bloodbath and consequent civil war swiftly take Macbeth and Lady Macbeth into the realms of madness and death.

CHARACTERS IN 'MACBETH'

- Macbeth
- Lady Macbeth
- The Three Witches
- Banquo
- Banquo's son, Fleance
- King Duncan
- Macduff
- Lady Macduff and their son
- Malcolm
- Donalbain
- Porter
- The murderers
- Ross
- Lennox
- Hecate – Goddess of Witchcraft



MACBETH

KING OF SCOTLAND

- Macbeth (Medieval Gaelic: Mac Bethad mac Findlaích; Modern Scottish Gaelic: MacBheatha mac Fhionnlaigh; English: Macbeth son of Findlay, nicknamed Rí Deircc, "the Red King":[1] c. 1005 - 15 August 1057) was King of Scots from 1040 until his death. He ruled over the Kingdom of Alba.
- In 1040, Duncan I launched an attack into Moray and was killed in action by Macbeth's troops. Macbeth succeeded him as King of Alba, apparently with little opposition. His 17-year reign was mostly peaceful, although in 1054 he was faced with an English invasion, led by Siward, Earl of Northumbria, on behalf of Edward the Confessor. Macbeth was killed at the Battle of Lumphanan in 1057 by forces loyal to the future Malcolm III. He was buried on Iona, the traditional resting place of Scottish kings.





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