

**English Midterm : Macbeth by William Shakespeare**  
**ENG3C/ENG4U**

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**Score** \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

**Knowledge ( 2 marks each )**

- 1) Why does Macbeth gain the title Thane of Cawdor ?
  
- 2) Why do Macolm and Donalbain flee after the murder of Duncan ?
  
- 3) Why does Macbeth believe he is invincible after seeing the witches for a second prophesy ?
  
- 4) Why does Macbeth have his friend Banquo killed ?
  
- 5) Who Kills Macbeth, and why is it personal ?
  
- 6) What country intervenes to help Malcom and Macduff retake Scotland, and which Lords son is killed in the battle ?

**Communication- Choose One. ( 3 paragraphs – 10 marks )**

- 1) It has been said that the play Macbeth is above all a story of how greed and ambition can lead to disaster for all. Argue for or against with reference to the play.

-OR-

2) How is nature and the natural world used in the play ?

**Application ( 2 paragraphs each – 4 marks each )**

1) What life lessons do you think Shakespeare is trying to impart from Macbeth ? How might you apply such lessons to modern life ?

2) *\*ENG4U only*

Choose a literary theory and show how you might apply it to ' Macbeth ' to enhance your understanding of the play ?

**Thinking and Inquiry ( Choose 1 paragraph each – 3 marks each )**

**1) Read the quote below.**

“ Will all great Neptune's ocean wash this blood  
Clean from my hand? No, this my hand will rather  
The multitudinous seas incarnadine,  
Making the green one red “

**- To what event is the speaker referring to, and how is blood used in the play ?**

**2) “ *There's no art to the mind's construction in the face*”  
What does Duncan mean, and to whom is he referring when he says this ?**