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English 12: British Literature

### "Macbeth" Guided Reading Questions- Act III

1. In Act III Scene 1 Is Banquo's tone warm or cold when he's talking to Macbeth? Why do you think so?
2. In Act III Scene 1 Lines 30-35 who are "our bloody cousins"? Why are they called "bloody"? What is parricide? (think homicide, suicide. . .use the dictionary if you need to).
3. Do the Macbeths have any children? What evidence do you find to support your answers? See Lady M. in Act I Scene 7 and their comments in Act III.
4. How many people has Macbeth killed from Act I through III? Name them. How are the killings different in each act?
5. What is the mental state of the Macbeths in Act III? Support your answer.
6. Who is described as "the tyrant" in Act III Scene 6? Who says it? Why?
7. How has the relationship of Macbeth and his wife changed since the death of Duncan?
8. Why aren't Macbeth and Lady Macbeth happy being king & queen? Cite evidence to support your opinion.
9. Why is the escape of Fleance significant in the light of the witches' earlier predictions?