



Macbeth- Grade 9

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What is Banquo	Macbeths foil (opposite) symbolic of man's ability to resist temptation
What is the crux of the play surrounding Banquo	Temptation- Vital Banquo faces temptation and ambition proving his strength to resist
Who does Banquo appeal to	Contemporary audience- he resists temptation of evil, beliefs at the time that the devil walked on earth tempting people
How does Banquo respond to the prophecies	'What can the devil speak true' - conforms to James 1st Daemonology where witches are controlled by the devil
Ambivalent portrayal of Banquo	'noble Banquo' 'worthy Banquo'- clear allegiance to Duncan 'keep my allegiance clear' puts himself in strategic positions close to Duncan high in the great chain of being
biblical reference surrounding Banquo	Draws parallels to Jesus, empowering Banquo's morality. He dreams of witchcraft and the promises of power. 'I dream'd of the three weird sisters' - Jesus was tempted 3 times but turned to God
What does Banquo's death mark regarding Macbeth	The seriousness of his corruption- he excludes his wife from plans who begun him down this dark path
Quote that shows Banquos suspicions in Macbeth	'I fear thou played'dst most foully for 't'