

Macbeth Quotations – State the speaker of the following quotes and the significance of the quotes. Do not ignore literary devices used.

Act I

1. "Fair is foul and foul is fair . . ."
2. "Disdaining Fortune, with his brandished steel,/Which smoked with bloody execution/(Likevalor's minion), carved out his passage/Till he faced the slave;/Which ne'er shook hands nor bade farewell to him/Till he unseamed him from the nave to the chops/And fixed his head upon our battlements."
3. "Sleep shall neither night nor day/Hang upon his penthouse lid./He shall live a man forbid."
4. "So foul and fair a day I have not seen."
5. "Lesser than Macbeth, and greater."
6. "The Thane of Cawdor lives. Why do you dress me / In borrowed robes?"
7. "This supernatural soliciting / Cannot be ill, cannot be good."
8. "If chance will have me King, why, chance may crown me / Without my stir."
9. "Would thou hadst less deserved,/That the proportion both of thanks and payment/Might have been mine! Only I have left to say,/More is thy due than more than all can pay."
10. "Yet do I fear thy nature. /It is too full of the milk of human kindness . . ."
11. "Come, you spirits / That tend on mortal thoughts, unsex me here . . ."
12. "This guest of summer,/The temple-haunting martlet, does approve/By his loved masonry that the heaven's breath/Smells wooingly here."
12. "I dare do all that may become a man; / Who dares do more is none."
13. "When you durst do it, then you were a man . . ."

Act II

14. "Is this a dagger I see before me?"
15. "But wherefore could not I pronounce "Amen"?"
16. "Faith, here's an equivocator, that could swear in both/the scales against either scale..."
17. "There's daggers in men's smiles; the near in blood,/The nearer bloody."
18. "The time has been/ That, when the brains were out, the man would die, / And there an end!"

Act IV

19. "By the pricking of my thumbs / Something wicked this way comes."
20. "Infected be the air whereon they ride, / And damned all those that trust them!"
21. "For the poor wren,/(The most diminutive of birds) will fight, Her young ones in her nest, against the owl."
23. "Such welcome and unwelcome things at once/'Tis hard to reconcile."

Act V

24. "Here's the smell of blood still. All the perfumes of Arabia will not sweeten this little hand."
25. "Unnatural deeds do breed unnatural troubles."
26. "I have lived long enough. My way of life/ Is fallen into the sere, the yellow leaf . . ."
27. "And none serve with him but constrained things,/whose hearts are absent too."
28. "She should have died hereafter: / There would have been a time for such a word. / Tomorrow, and tomorrow, and tomorrow / Creeps in this petty pace from day to day / To the last syllable of recorded time, / And all our yesterdays have lighted fools / The way to dusty death. Out, out, brief candle! / Life's but a walking shadow, a poor player / That struts and frets his hour upon the stage / And then is heard no more. It is a tale / Told by an idiot, full of sound and fury, / Signifying nothing." (Macbeth 5.5)
29. "Why should I play the Roman fool and die / On mine own sword? While I see lives, the gashes / Do better upon them."
30. "...this, and what needful else/That calls upon us, by the grace of Grace/We will perform in measure, time, and place."