

MACBETH Act I Timeline

Name: _____

We will discuss the major plot points of each act in class and then, using this timeline, record those major events. Feel free to add additional notes and information beyond what is discussed.

The Three Witches “Fair is foul and foul is fair” which sets the stage for the rest of the play by setting up the major themes: betrayal, treachery, murder

Thane of Cawdor is executed and King Duncan decides to reward Macbeth with the title of Thane of Cawdor, unbeknownst at this time to Macbeth

Lady Macbeth receives the news about Macbeth’s new title and begins to plot to have Duncan murdered so Macbeth can rise one step further and become King

Scotland is victorious war against Norway due to the efforts of Macbeth

The Three Witches on the battlefield inform Macbeth and Banquo of Macbeth’s new title as Thane of Cawdor and prophesize his rise to King

Macbeth consents to Lady Macbeth’s plan but is hesitant and troubled

