

The lady macbeth
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The character of Macbeth is a classic example of a Shakespearean tragic hero.

There are many factors which contribute to the degeneration of Macbeth of which three will be discussed. The three points which contribute greatly to Macbeth's degeneration are the prophecy which was told to him by the witches, how Lady Macbeth influenced and manipulated Macbeth's judgment, and finally Macbeth's long time ambition which drove his desire to be king. Macbeth's growing character degenerates from a nobleman to a violent individual. The prophecies which were told by the witches were one of the factors which contributed to the degeneration of his character. If it had not been for the witches telling him that he was to be Thane of Cawdor, Thane of Glamis, and King of Scotland, Macbeth would still be his ordinary self. As a result of the prophecies, this aroused Macbeth's curiosity of how he could be King of Scotland. As the play progresses, Macbeth slowly relies on the witches' prophecies. Shakespeare uses the witches as a remedy for Macbeth's curiosity which corrupts his character.

It is more dramatic that it is said by a bloody child because it wouldn't be such an important statement said by a regular man or woman.

Characterization lets us know what is going on in each character's head and lets us know things about the character that the author wants us to know. For example in act 4, scene 1, pg. 337, lines 165-179 Macbeth says aside "Time, thou anticipat'st my dread exploits. The castle of Macduff I will surprise, seize upon Fife, give to the edge o' the sword That trace him, in his line Come, bring me where they are. Shakespeare lets Macbeth talk to himself so the audience knows exactly what is going through his mind. In Act 5 scene 1 <https://assignbuster.com/the-lady-macbeth-influenced-and-manipulated-macbeths-judgment-in-sight-of-blood-is-to-many-people/>

the whole opening section with the doctor talking to the gentlewoman is created so that we understand what is going on with Lady Macbeth without being told in a more obvious way that would take away from the play.

Characterization is a big part of letting us know more about the play otherwise without there would be many things we didn't understand.

Foreshadowing adds suspense and gives the reader an eye to look into the future of the play to keep them interested and let them know what will happen. In act 5, scene 1 pg, 353, lines 73-75 when the doctor says, Look after her; remove from her means of annoyance, and still keep eyes upon her. This is said as to foreshadow that later in the play Lady Macbeth might take her own life because of her guilty feeling. Also, at the beginning of Act 4 scene 1 the three witches foreshadow by telling Macbeth what the future holds such as the witches showing Macbeth the lines of future kings foreshadow what will happen to Macbeth. Shakespeare