

# Macbeth – a story about the journey and how he became a king

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Macbeth is a story about the journey of Macbeth and how he became a king. Initially he was a hero and a strong man who actually led the army in the kingdom of Duncan. This was actually the reason that made the king choose him to be a thane after the previous one was killed as per the orders of the king. He met with witches who make prophecies to him about him becoming the thane and later the king of the kingdom, (Macaw & Shakespeare, 56). It was not long after this prophecies that he was chosen by the king to be the thane. He thought to himself that the prophecies were actually true and that he would be the king sooner than later, (Eric, 68). Although he was aware of the prophecies, that he would be the king, he listened to his wife when she urged him to kill the king. He was ambitious to be the king that he heeded to the wrong advice of his wife. Macbeth was to blame for his action of killing the king. First and foremost, he would not have listened to his wife's advice since he knew better that killing the king would be wrong. Moreover the king loved him thus choosing him to be the thane and therefore he would have respected that and loved him back as well rather than being greedy, (Stancil, 76). The best thing he should have done in that situation was to condemn his wife and let her know that that was a terrible idea, (Stancil, 76). Better yet he would have told her that killing was not right and would eventually catch up with him. Furthermore, Macbeth would have been patient and waited for the time to come. According to the prophecies of the witches he would first become a thane and then the king, (Macaw & Shakespeare, 56). In no time, he was told that he would be the thane. This would have showed him that somehow he would be the king and not impose it forcefully. For instance, he did not do anything to become a thane. Therefore he should have realized

that he needed to do nothing to become the king of the land. Just like he became the thane, he would be the king since it was prophesied. It would not be possible for him to kill the king if the witches had not prophesied to him. This prophecy corrupted his mind and made him aggressive and more ambitious in the bad way. He would instead continue to be the good leader of the army and would then not listen to what his wife had to say, (Stancil, 76). His dinner with the king would make him feel good and feel like he is approaching the throne somehow. Macbeth was very determined to become the king especially after he was told that he was to become one by the witches. His determination led him to committing several atrocities whereby he killed the king, the family of Macduff, and Banquo, (Macaw & Shakespeare, 56). He always lived in fear that his power would be snatched away from him since he knew that he got in an illegal manner. It was his own decision that made him become the person he became killing people like Duncan so that he can have his power.