

Bitesize KS3 English Literature – Shakespeare Macbeth – Character – Lady Macbeth transcript

LADY MACBETH

Yet here's a spot.

DOCTOR

Hark, she speaks; I will set down what comes from her to satisfy my remembrance the more strongly.

LADY MACBETH

Out, damned spot! Out, I say! One, two. Why then 'tis time to do't. Hell is murky. Fie, my lord, fie, a soldier, and afeard? What need we fear? Who knows it, when none can call our power to account? Yet who would have thought the old man to have had so much blood in him?

DOCTOR

Do you mark that?

LADY MACBETH

The Thane of Fife had a wife. Where is she now? What, will these hands ne'er be clean? No more o' that, my lord, no more o' that. You mar all with this starting.

DOCTOR

Go to, go to; you have known what you should not.

GENTLEWOMAN

She has spoke what she should not, I am sure of that. Heaven knows what she has known.

LADY MACBETH

Here's the smell of the blood still; all the perfumes of Arabia will not sweeten this little hand. O, O, O.

DOCTOR

What a sigh is there! The heart is sorely charged.

GENTLEWOMAN

I would not have such a heart in my bosom for the dignity of the whole body.

DOCTOR

Well, well, well,—

GENTLEWOMAN

Pray God it be, sir.

DOCTOR

Bitesize

This disease is beyond my practise; yet I have known
those which have walked in their sleep who have died holily in their beds.

LADY MACBETH

Wash your hands, put on your night-gown, look not so
pale. I tell you yet again, Banquo's buried; he cannot come out on's grave.

DOCTOR

Even so?

LADY MACBETH

To bed, to bed; there's knocking at the gate.
Come, come, come, come, give me your hand; what's
done cannot be undone. To bed, to bed, to bed.