

Quicklook at Macbeth - Connect Four and Hot Seating in Role

Teachers' notes

- 1. Half the class are given a Role Card each. They are to sit in a circle facing outwards or at small tables round the room and read their card carefully. They could work in pairs and share a card if you prefer.
- 2. The other half are given a Question Grid. They then choose a character with a Role Card and may ask one question.
- 3. If they receive a NO answer, they should move on to another character and question them.
- 4. If they receive a YES answer, the character must reveal their identity. This name can then be written on the question grid in the space below the question. They may then continue to question their character and can either have two more questions but must stop if they receive a NO answer.
- 5. When the questioner has four names in a row on the grid: vertically, horizontally or diagonally, they should take their grid to the teacher or a pupil with a checking role to make sure they have a correct sequence.
- 6. The activity can continue until a pupil has completely filled a grid.

Follow up activities:

The teacher could ask all 24 questions and discover how many characters can answer YES to them because in lots of cases there is more than one.

Role Card Rules

- 1. You need to read the information on this card.
- 2. A questioner will approach you to ask you something about your character.
- 3. If your answer is NO they must move on to another character.
- 4. If the answer is YES tell the questioner your name. He/she can continue to question you until you answer NO to one of their questions.

Role Card for Macbeth

- 1. You are a soldier.
- 2. You murder a king.
- 3. You see a ahost.
- 4. You have met witches.
- 5. You are murdered.
- 6. You hallucinate.
- 7. You are very ambitious.
- 8. You have a wife.
- 9. You become an evil king of Scotland.

Role Card for Banquo

- 1. You are a soldier.
- 2. You are murdered.
- 3. You have a son named Fleance.
- 4. You are admired by others.
- 5. You have met witches.

Role Card for Macduff

- 1. You are a soldier.
- 2. You flee to England.
- 3. Your wife and children are murdered.
- 4. You murder a king.
- 5. You are a thane.
- 6. You survive.

Macbeth Connect Four Question Grid

MACBETH	Do you become a queen?	Are you a good king?	Are you a soldier?	Do you get murdered?	Do you survive?	Have you planned a murder?
Do you have a brother called Donal- bain?	Do you walk in your sleep?	Have you ever hallucinated?	Do you have a son called Fleance?	Are you a thane?	Have you ever seen a ghost?	Are you ambitious?
Do you have evil thoughts?	Do you become queen?	Is your father King Duncan of Scotland?	Do you flee to England?	Is your father murdered?	Do you commit suicide?	Do you have a wife?
Do you murder a king?	Are your wife and children murdered?	Are you an evil king?	Do others admire you?	Do you have two sons?	Have you met a witch?	MACBETH