



Act 4, Scene 3

1. Where does this scene take place?
2. How do the images in Scene 3 lines 1-4 help establish a contrast between Malcolm and Macduff?
3. How is Malcolm's comment in line 13 ironic? What is he saying in lines 15-24?
4. How do the following words shift in meaning: mortal, friend, sole, honest.
5. How does Malcolm describe Scotland? What specific images does he use?
6. How is the imagery Malcolm uses in lines 49-51 more effective than a simple statement that the country is in trouble and getting worse?
7. How does Malcolm describe himself? Why do you think he is so negative about himself?
8. How does Macduff respond to Malcolm's opinion of himself?
9. What does Macduff's outburst in 120-132 convince Malcolm of?
10. What can King Edward do?
11. What news does Ross bring Malcolm and Macduff?
12. What does Malcolm decide to do?
13. What news does Ross give Macduff about his family? How does Macduff react?