

## MACBETH Dear Macbeth

When we first meet Lady Macbeth she is reading a letter from her husband. When they are first together on stage, Lady Macbeth plants the seed in Macbeth's mind that he should kill the King.

At the point where the king arrives at the Castle, Macbeth and Lady Macbeth argue over whether to kill him or not.

Task: Put yourself into one of the Macbeth's shoes and write a letter to the other to try to convince them that they should or should not kill King Duncan.

## Key features of a persuasive letter:

- •Written in the present tense
- •Uses emotive language to convince the reader
- •Backs up points with evidence
- Rhetorical questions
- •Time connectives help to build cohesion across the paragraphs

## Try to use some of these key lines in your letter:

'Art thou afeard?'

'Prithee, peace. I dare do all that may become a man; Who dares do more, is none.'

'If we should fail?'

'We fail. But screw your courage to the sticking place, And we'll not fail.'

Share your letter by writing it or by recording it like a video call to your

fictional husband or wife.

