

Name _____

Witches' Words

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. (Responses may vary, but here are sample answers.)
2. Some might say yes, because Macbeth was already ambitious.
Others might say no, because he wouldn't have thought about being king so soon.
3. He trusts their words too much, which makes him act in dangerous ways to secure his power.
4. Macbeth made his own choices, but the witches influenced him, so they share some blame. However, he didn't have to listen to them.
5. The story shows that believing everything we hear—especially things that sound too good to be true—can lead to dangerous mistakes.

