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Fatal Ambition

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

(Responses may vary, but here are sample answers.)

1. Some may say yes because the prophecy might have come true naturally. Others may say no because Macbeth was too impatient.
2. Macbeth's fear of losing power makes him even more ambitious, pushing him to commit more crimes.
3. He could have avoided his downfall by being patient and ruling wisely instead of giving in to ambition.
4. The story shows that when people want power too much, they can make choices that lead to their own destruction.

