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## Macduff's Revenge



In Macbeth, Macduff plays a crucial role in restoring order to Scotland. At the start of the play, he is a loyal nobleman who serves King Duncan. However, after Macbeth seizes the throne through murder, Macduff quickly becomes suspicious. Unlike many others, Macduff does not accept Macbeth as the rightful king. Instead, he flees to England to join Malcolm, Duncan's son, who is gathering an army to fight against Macbeth.

Macbeth, who has become paranoid and ruthless, sees Macduff as a threat. To punish him, Macbeth orders the murder of Macduff's wife and children. When Macduff learns of this terrible crime, he is filled with grief and rage. He vows to bring justice to Scotland by defeating Macbeth.

Macduff proves to be a true hero. As Malcolm leads an army back to Scotland, Macduff fights alongside him. The army uses branches from Birnam Wood to disguise their numbers, making it look as if the forest itself is moving—just as the witches predicted. This strikes fear into Macbeth, but he still believes he is safe. The witches had told him that no man born of a woman could harm him.

However, when Macduff finally confronts Macbeth in battle, he reveals something shocking: He was not born in the usual way. Instead, he was delivered by a doctor through surgery. This means he is the one who can defeat Macbeth. Realizing the witches have tricked him, Macbeth refuses to surrender. The two fight fiercely, but in the end, Macduff defeats Macbeth, restoring peace to Scotland.

By killing Macbeth, Macduff helps bring order back to the kingdom. He proves that justice will always overcome tyranny. Instead of seeking power for himself, he fights to place Malcolm, the rightful heir, on the throne. Through his bravery and sense of duty, Macduff becomes one of the most important figures in Macbeth, ensuring that the play ends with justice rather than chaos.