

# CHARACTER GRAPHS

Using the narrative, you can map the Macbeths' emotional journeys using a graph.

Through this you can identify key moments of successes and the pivotal point when the downfall of the couple is inevitable.

## Instructions:

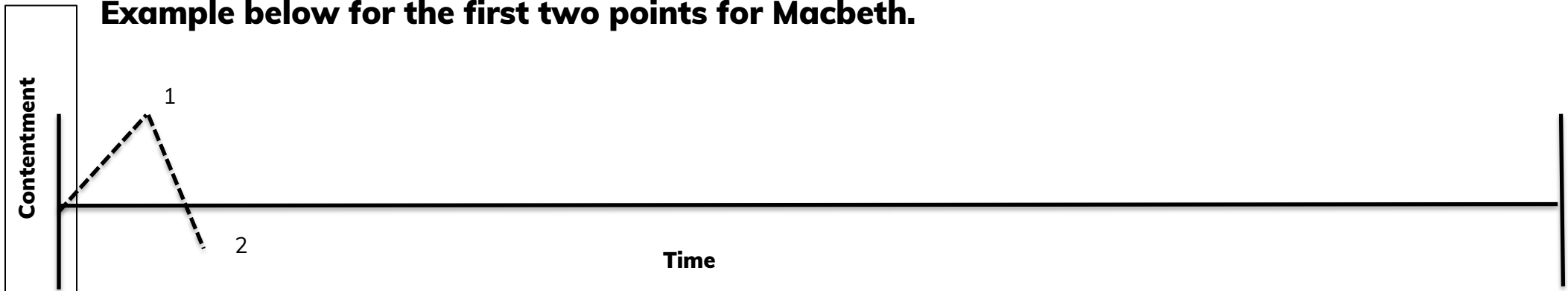
1. Read the 10 events (see below)
2. Using the template below, whereby the vertical or Y axis represents the levels of contentment or happiness for the Macbeths and the highest point on the Y axis would represent a point at which they are extremely happy and the lowest point would represent a point where they were extremely unhappy, map the character's emotional journey through the story.
3. Using the 10 Events, take one event at a time to plot Macbeth's level of contentment (in **black**). Label each point with a number to correspond with the 10 Events.
4. Find a quote from the play to support your decision for each of the 10 points.
5. Repeat this process, but this time for Lady Macbeth's level of contentment (in **red**). Find quotes to back up your decisions for Lady Macbeth.
6. Once you have done this for Lady Macbeth and Macbeth, compare and contrast the different cardiograms.  
Consider
  - a. What do you notice about their journeys?
  - b. When do they feel the same things?
  - c. When are their feelings at odds with one another?
  - d. Can you find examples in the scenes they share of these tensions/the symbiosis between them?

## Challenge!

Could you present this change in mood/level of contentment in a different way - perhaps through movement/dance, freeze frames and photograph yourself, visual arts, song or through a dramatic interpretation of the character in 30 seconds?

Perhaps you could present Macbeth or Lady Macbeth's emotional journey through a series of emojis?

## Example below for the first two points for Macbeth.



### 10 Events

1. In the realm of King Duncan of Scotland two royal Thanes – Macbeth and Banquo - are returning from war. They meet three Witches who predict that Macbeth will become King and Banquo's heirs will be Kings.
2. Macbeth writes to his wife telling her of the prediction, which she takes to mean they must kill Duncan, the current King
3. Duncan and his train arrive at Macbeth's Castle as Macbeth and Lady Macbeth wrangle over whether to kill him or not.
4. Macbeth kills Duncan as he sleeps.
5. Duncan's sons are initially blamed for his murder and flee in fear, leaving Macbeth to be crowned King.
6. Macbeth has Banquo killed. He fears he is haunted by Banquo's ghost and returns to the witches. They reassure him with more predictions of his power.
7. His friend Macduff flees to England to ask Duncan's son – Malcolm – to return and fight Macbeth as Scotland is collapsing under his rule. Macbeth has Macduff's wife and children killed for this disloyalty.
8. Lady Macbeth dies.
9. Macbeth comes under attack as the witch's predictions come true one by one.
10. Macbeth is slain by Macduff and Malcolm is crowned King.

