*Macbeth* 4.3 Literature Circles

**Directions:** Get into groups of three. Assign parts and read through the assigned scenes using No Fear Shakespeare (and bookmark this page for the future). Read the ORIGINAL text, but pick one person who can translate when you get confused. Try to work through the meaning on your own before turning to No Fear. Answer the guided reading questions AS you read.

**4.3 Roles:**

* **Malcolm**
* **Macduff**
* **Doctor/Ross**

**Act IV, scene iii**

1. What additional evidence does Shakespeare give his audience that Macbeth is a tyrant?

2. What suspicion of Macduff does Malcolm voice?

3. How do Malcolm's comments about Macbeth again bring to mind the “fair is foul” theme?

4. What literary device is Shakespeare employing when Malcolm says, *Angels are bright still, though the brightest fell*?

5. What is it that makes Malcolm suspicious of Macduff’s motives?

6. How does Malcolm test Macduff’s honesty?

7. How does Macduff nearly fail the test?

8. What finally convinces Malcolm?

9. What purpose does the brief dialogue about Edward the Confessor’s alleged ability to heal serve?

10. After receiving word of his family’s slaughter, what does Macduff resolve?