

An Essay on Imagery in *Macbeth*

First Draft: Be sure to use the plan page provided for your essay. You need to decide how you will organize your essay on imagery:

1. By specific image strands, such as animals, blood, clothing, or the supernatural/nature.
2. By a single image strand as it applies to specific characters, such as Macbeth, Lady Macbeth, Macduff, or the witches.
3. By a specific major character, analyzing the most relevant or significant images associated with that specific character.

You will write an **introduction** which explains what **imagery** is and which clearly states the focus of your essay, with an emphasis always on the effect of the images. In other words, do not merely list every image, but consider, analyze, and interpret the effect of the image. Obviously, there is a vast difference in comparing a person to a rose or a weed. As always, your introduction should end in your **thesis sentence**.

You will write at least **three body paragraphs**, each with a **topic sentence**. Each body paragraph should include a minimum of **three** integrated quotes. More would be better.

Finally, write a **conclusion** which makes a final point about the effect of the imagery you have discussed in your paper.

Second Draft: Examine the selected research sources provided for your use. Select quotations which seem relevant to your paper on imagery. Include those quotes, integrated if possible. Actually write them in on your first draft exactly where and how they should be included in your final draft.

On a separate page, you will also need to write a correct **bibliography** or **works cited**, using MLA style. You will cite your textbook as the source for any quotes from *Macbeth* (unless you really used a different book). You will also cite at least two other sources, one of which must be a reputable internet resource.

Format

Final draft follows MLA style -- double-spaced, with one-inch margins all around. Use Times 10 or 12 point. As a final step, collect all parts of your paper -- plan page, notes on imagery, first printed draft, notes from selected research sources, and final draft.

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Essay Plan Page on Imagery in *Macbeth*

Thesis Sentence: _____

Topic Sentence 1: _____

Quote 1: _____

Quote 2: _____

Quote 3: _____

Topic Sentence 2: _____

Quote 1: _____

Quote 2: _____

Quote 3: _____

Topic Sentence 3: _____

Quote 1: _____

Quote 2: _____

Quote 3: _____

Creative Title: _____