CREATIVE RESPONSE
Select any ONE of the following writing activities. In your response, ensure that you refer closely to the play, demonstrating your familiarity with what you have read so far. The language, behaviour and actions of your characters should be aligned with Shakespeare's presentation of them.

• Refer to Act 1, Scene 7
In Macbeth’s soliloquy, he offers a number of reasons why it would be wrong to kill Duncan. Outline these reasons by putting the speech into your own words.

• Refer to Act 2, Scene 3
Imagine you are Macbeth and it is a short time after the events of this scene. Write a dialogue in which you explain to Lady Macbeth why you killed the two guards.

• Refer to Act 3, Scene 1
Paraphrase Banquo’s opening soliloquy. Explain what this speech reveals about his character.

• Refer to Act 3, Scene 1
Rather than simply ordering the murderers to kill Banquo, Macbeth converses with them at length. Why? Create a diary entry in which one of the murderers reviews their discussions with Macbeth.

• Refer to Act 3, Scene 2
It appears obvious that Macbeth has not involved his wife in the planning of Banquo’s murder. Write a diary entry in which Macbeth explains why he wants Lady Macbeth to be innocent of the knowledge till she can applaud the deed.

• Refer to Act 3, Scene 3
When Fleance flees as the end of this scene, he does not return to Macbeth’s castle. Would he have any reason not to? Imagine you are Fleance. Explain your reasons to a friend or family member for not returning to Macbeth’s castle.

• Refer to Act 3, Scene 4
Compare the behaviour of the two Macbeths during this scene. Imagine you were a guest at the banquet. Describe what you saw to a friend or family member.

• Refer to Act 4, Scene 1
The ingredients of the witches’ cauldron consist of what was considered vile and repugnant during the Elizabethan period. Write a parody of their speech. Include ingredients that a modern-day audience would find equally disgusting.

• Refer to Act 4, Scene 2
Do you think Macduff was justified in leaving his family in Scotland? Respond to this question by writing a letter, either from Macduff to his wife explaining his decision, or from Lady Macduff to her husband expressing her opinion of the decision.