TRY THIS QUIZ WITH SOMEONE ELSE.
THE ANSWERS ARE ON PAGE 48.

EASY
1. What has Macbeth done to please King Duncan?
2. How many of the witches' first three predictions come true?
3. Why is the porter so slow in answering the door?
4. Why does Macbeth behave so strangely at the banquet?
5. Why does Birnam Wood appear to move?

MEDIUM
6. What are Macbeth's first words in the play?
7. What three names do the witches call Macbeth by?
8. How does Lady Macbeth put the guilt for Duncan's murder onto his servants?
9. Why do Malcolm and Donalbain hurry away from Scotland?
10. What argument does Macbeth use to convince the murderers that they should kill Banquo?
11. Why is Macbeth furious that Fleance escaped?
12. Can you name any four things the witches put in their cauldron?
13. Which two people see Lady Macbeth walking in her sleep?
14. Who becomes King at the end of the play?

HARD
15. What makes Duncan believe Macbeth's castle is a pleasant place?
16. Why does Lady Macbeth say she could not kill Duncan herself?
17. Why is one of the witches angry with a sailor's wife?
18. How many kings appear to Macbeth when he asks the witches whether Banquo's sons will rule Scotland?
19. Who tells Lady Macduff she should try to escape?
20. Whom do we see Macbeth kill in the final battle?

WHO SAID — TO WHOM — WHEN?

1. Doubtful it stood,  
   As two spent swimmers that do cling together  
   And choke their art. (1,2)
2. So well thy words become thee as thy wounds:  
   They smack of honour both (1,2)
3. Here I have a pilot's thumb,  
   Wracked as homeward he did come. (1,3)
4. What, can the devil speak true? (1,3)
5. Come what may,  
   Time and the hour runs through the roughest day (1,3)
6. Your face, my Thane, is as a book where men  
   May read strange matters (1,5)

You might like to choose another Act in the play and make a similar quiz for other people in your group to answer.
EASY
1. He has killed the rebel, Macdonald.
2. All three.
3. Because he is drunk.
4. Because he can see the ghost of Banquo. No-one else can see it.
5. Because each soldier is carrying the branch of a tree to disguise how many of them there are.

MEDIUM
6. "So foul and fair a day I have not seen."
7. Thane of Glamis, Thane of Cawdor, King.
8. By smearing the blood from the daggers onto the servants as they sleep.
9. Because they feel that whoever murdered Duncan may turn on them next.
10. Macbeth tells the murderers that Banquo is responsible for making them and their families poor.
11. Because Fleance is Banquo's son, and the witches said that Banquo's sons would be kings.
12. See the speeches in Act 4, Scene 1, lines 5-38.
13. A Doctor and a waiting-woman (one of Lady Macbeth's personal servants).

HARD
15. The castle has a pleasant setting, and the fact that swifts build their nests in the castle is a sign that the climate is healthy.
16. Because he looked like her father.
17. Because the sailor's wife would not give her some of the chestnuts she was eating.
18. Eight (see Act 4, Scene 1, lines 110-125).
19. The nobleman, Ross, and a messenger who is not named.
20. Young Siward, Malcolm's cousin.

WHO SAID — TO WHOM — WHEN
1. The Captain telling Duncan and his court about the battle against the rebels at the beginning of the play.
2. Duncan thanking the Captain for his news.
3. First witch to the other witches while they wait for Macbeth.
4. Banquo to Ross, Angus and Macbeth on hearing that Macbeth has been made Thane of Cawdor as the witches predicted.
5. Macbeth to himself about the idea that he might become King. Said while Banquo waits.
6. Lady Macbeth to Macbeth after she has suggested that they murder Duncan.

Quiz Answers

over I: 1 / excellent
I: 2 - 14: very good
10 - 12: good
6 - 10: fair
less than 6: not so good