**Macbeth: Vocabulary**

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| Word | Definition | Example |
| Order  (noun) | Calm, neatness, careful arrangement. | Everything in the classroom was in **order.** |
| Turmoil  (noun) | A state of disorder or chaos; a lack of control.  (Tumultuous – adjective) | The violent protest quickly turned into **turmoil** as the protestors began to smash the windows. |
| Manifestation  (noun) | A manifestation is a visible sign of an idea, feeling or invisible force.  (Manifest – verb) | My nerves **manifest** themselves to other people when I start to bite my nails.  Every day since the car accident, he had seen their ghostly faces appear in front of him. They were a **manifestation** of his guilt and shame. |
| Consequence  (noun) | The results or outcomes of an action or event. | The class had all forgotten their homework. The **consequence** was detention. |
| Remorse  (noun) | Being sorry; feeling guilt. | I felt full of **remorse** after stealing his exercise book. |
| Innocence  (noun) | Not being guilty. | She insisted on her **innocence;** she claimed she didn’t commit the crime. |
| Superficial  (adjective) | On the surface; what you see first of all. | She gave a **superficial** impression of being good. |
| Manipulate  (verb) | To control someone in a clever way so that they do what you want them to. | The children were **manipulated** by the advertising into thinking they should buy the very expensive trainers. |
| Redemption  (noun) | Getting saved from the power of evil. | He hoped for **redemption** after he commited a sin. |
| Damnation  (noun) | Being in hell. | He suffered **damnation** for his immoral actions. |
| Valorous  (adjective) | Showing great courage, especially in war. | When they saw him fight bravely, they all thought he was **valorous.** |
| Ambition  (noun) | Aim that you want to achieve. | Her greatest **ambition** was to go to university. |
| Corrupt  (adjective) | Being immoral or dishonest; specifically something rotten or decaying on the inside. Often – describes something that was once good that has turned bad.  (Corruption – noun) | The **corrupt** goalkeeper had taken a secret bribe to make sure that his own team lost the match. |
| Corrupt  (verb) | To cause decay or rot in something else; to have a bad influence over another. | He had once been a virtuous boy, but his naughty friend **corrupted** him. Now he is horribly behaved. |
| Treacherous  (adjective) | Being untrustworthy; specifically planning betrayal or unjust schemes.  (Treachery – noun) | Despite claiming to be my best friend, Eliza was **treacherous**; she revealed my secrets to the whole class. |
| Treachery  (noun) | Not being loyal to someone who trusts you. | She was punished severely for her **treachery.** |
| Deception  (noun) | Lying; making someone believe a lie. | He was sick of her lies and **deception;** she kept tell him she had done her homework when she hadn’t. |
| Conscience  (noun) | The part of your mind that tells you whether your actions are right or wrong. | Her **conscience** told her not to eat the last biscuit but she did so anyway. |
| Inevitability  (noun) | The fact that something cannot be avoided or prevented. | Although he didn’t want his exam to arrive, he knew they were an **inevitability.** |
| Machiavellian  (adjective) | Using clever but deceitful and immoral methods so that you can win power or control. | The **Machiavellian** politician made whatever promises he thought might win him votes, without any intention of sticking to them. |
| Virtuous  (adjective) | Good; moral. | She lived a **virtuous** life. |
| Dominant  (adjective) | More important or powerful than others. | The head teacher was **dominant**; he had all the power in the school. |
| Submissive  (adjective) | Obeying others without question. | Because he did not have any confidence, he was always very **submissive.** |
| Equivocal  (adjective) | Being torn between two different options; finding it hard to make a decision.  (Equivocation – noun) | Macbeth is clearly deeply **equivocal** about his decision to kill Duncan because he flips from one side of the argument to the other. |
| Duplicitous  (adjective) | Saying different things to different people. Two-faced and lying. | He was **duplicitous** when he said one thing to his friend’s face and then insulted him behind his back. |
| Honour  (noun) | Being respected, proud and honest.  (Honourable – adjective) | The soldier considered it a great **honour** to fight for her country.  The **honourable** student admitted to his mistake and accepted the  outcome. |
| Delusion  (noun) | A thought or opinion that is wrong or false. A distorted view of reality. | Despite having done no homework all year, he still held on to the **delusion** that she would pass the exam. |
| Fiendish  (adjective) | Evil; like a devil; cruel and unpleasant. | He called her **fiendish** because she had scratched his car. |
| Futile  (adjective) | Pointless. | They tried to save him but their efforts were **futile.** |
| Vengeance  (noun) | Revenge. | After being let down by her friend and left at the bus stop, **vengeance** was all she could think of. |
| Dissemble  (verb) | To act and speak in a way that conceals how you feel inside. To cover up your true feelings and intentions. | When she told him the relationship was over, he **dissembled** to hide his heart break.  “It wasn’t me!” the student who had been speaking said indignantly, **dissembling** innocence. |
| Tyranny  (noun) | Unfair or cruel use of power or authority. | He killed everyone he disliked; his **tyranny** was clear. |
| Subconscious  (noun) | A part of your mind that is hidden. Your deep desires and fears are there. You have little control over your subconscious thoughts | On the surface, Emily appeared brave, but her **subconscious** was filled with doubts and anxieties. |
| Blackmail  (noun) | To blackmail someone is to demand something by threatening to tell someone else a secret. | He used what he knew about his brother to **blackmail** him into giving him sweets |
| Purgatory  (noun) | A place of suffering between heaven and hell. | She was so sinful in life that she had to go to **purgatory** to purify her soul. |
| Legacy  (noun) | What you leave behind when you die. | He wanted his **legacy** to last forever. |