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The play of Macbeth starts with mysterious witches and Macbeth who is a warrior of Scotland. His success leads to him earning the title of Thane of Cawdor although the witches' prophecies tell that he will eventually be king. He then proceeds to commit multiple acts of murder and his wife Lady Macbeth constantly persuades him to keep this killing going in hopes of making the prophecy a reality. In addition, the prophecies also reveal a family member of Banquo, one of Macbeth's friends, will become King. This once again aggravates Macbeth's vaulting ambition so he continues his mass murder streak and confirms with the witches his endless power. However, the idea of overthrowing Macbeth comes to light and the bath of blood only grows. Will Macbeth become King, or will his guilt take over?

Overall, I like this book because there was never a boring moment in the play. The storyline kept me interested and the figurative language made everything have a deeper meaning. My only dislike of the book was understanding some of the Shakespearean language. This made the book a little bit more difficult but in a unique way. My favorite character from the novel is Lady Macbeth because of her dynamic character. She starts as a normal wife but her aggression begins to grow throughout the book. She also continued having ambition but always had some heart and was close to family. Something that surprised me while reading was how much ambition can take over you and could make you do things even to the people you love.

I highly recommend this book to anyone interested in reading a play and can understand some of the Shakespearean language. This book is nothing like any book I have read because of its plot twists and ironic symbolism.