

MACBETH HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

1. What impact does the “divine right of kings” and “The great chain of being” have on *Macbeth*?
2. What are 3 ways that the Gunpowder Plot of 1605 influenced Shakespeare’s version of *Macbeth*?
3. In your opinion, was Shakespeare successful in demonstrating his loyalty to King James when he wrote *Macbeth*? Explain your answer.