***Macbeth* Exam Study Guide**

Heroic code and historical background

 -King James VI and I

 -Guilt-based culture

 -Divine Rite of Kings

Macbeth’s transformation over the course of the play

 -His roles throughout the play

-How his mentality changes

-His decisions and personal reactions to them

-Other characters’ views of him throughout

“Fair is foul, and foul is fair”

 -Instances of supernatural events and how they affected the characters and story

 -Macbeth’s thoughts on these instances

 -Both sets of prophecies and how they impact the characters’ decisions

Lady Macbeth’s transformation over time

 -Her role in Macbeth’s actions

 -What does she do in Act 5?

General ideas of who did what

 -Who killed whom?

 -Who sided with whom?

 -Motivation behind actions

Macduff

 -His role and background

 -The events he witnesses or hears about and his reactions

Other characters

 -Basic information about the other important characters

Conclusion of the play

 -Who is in charge?

 -Final speech

 -What changes occur / will occur?

Important quotes:

 -Be able to identify who is speaking, when in the story it is being said, and why it matters