**The Real Macbeth and Duncan**

1. When did the real King Duncan reign in Scotland Duncan?
2. What sort of a king was he?
3. When did the real Macbeth reign in Scotland?
4. How did he come to be king?
5. How legitimate was Macbeth’s claim to the throne?
6. What was the real Macbeth’s reign like?
7. How did he die?
8. Who took over the throne once Macbeth was dead?
9. In reality, Macbeth reigned for 17 years but the events in the play are compacted into about a year. Why do you think Shakespeare changed this?
10. What are the other major differences between the real events and Shakespeare’s play? What are the effects of the changes?
11. Find three quotations from the play that link to the real evens in history.