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Period 8

HW #21

1. The first scene in the play is brief, but rich in its hints about the kind of world we shall encounter as the play unfolds. What effect would the initial setting and lighting have on the viewing audience?

There are few details about the initial setting and the lighting. The initial setting is a deserted place. An empty place with three witches adds to the mystery element of the beginning of the play. This adds to the mysterious atmosphere that grips the viewing audience's curiosity. The lighting contains thunder and lightning. This enhances the spooky and foreboding atmosphere that usually comes with thunder and lightning. Even modern day literature utilizes this kind of weather to create the same atmosphere, with the cliché phrase being "it was a dark and stormy night."

2. Where and at what time of day will the witches meet again? Whom will they meet at that time and place?

The witches will meet at a heath or barren piece of land right before the sun sets. The three witches plan to meet Macbeth here.