



Julius Caesar, Act I William Shakespeare

READING GUIDE (pages 472-490)

1. Where and in what year does Act I, Scene i, take place? _____

2. According to pages 473-474 why do Marullus and Flavius believe that Caesar's triumph should not be celebrated? _____

3. According to page 475 what warning does the Soothsayer give Caesar? _____

4. As described on page 478, Brutus fears that _____

5. According to page 481 what is Caesar's opinion of Cassius? _____

6. As described on pages 483-484, Casca tells Brutus and Cassius that Antony offered Caesar a crown three times. Why, according to Casca, is Caesar displeased? _____

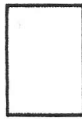
7. According to Cassius, what is Caesar's opinion of Brutus (page 485)? _____

8. According to page 486 what are three unnatural happenings on the night of March 14? _____

9. According to page 488 Casca tells Cassius that on March 15 the senators plan to make Caesar _____

10. As described on page 490, why do the conspirators want Brutus to join them? _____

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READING GUIDE (pages 493-511)

1. What is the date and the time of day when Act II, Scene i, takes place? _____

2. According to page 493 why is Brutus unable to sleep? _____

3. According to page 498 Brutus says that Antony should not be killed because _____

4. According to page 501 what does Portia want to know? _____

5. What does Calpurnia beg Caesar to do, according to page 506? _____

6. Describe Calpurnia's dream, according to page 507. _____

7. As described on page 507, list three of the arguments that Decius uses to change Caesar's mind.

8. According to page 509 what does Artemidorus hope to do? _____

9. According to page 510 who plans to warn Caesar? _____

10. In Scene iv Portia is worried and nervous because _____



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READING GUIDE (pages 513-535)

1. According to page 513 how does Caesar react to those who would warn him? _____

2. According to page 516 what are Caesar's dying words, and how do you think they make Brutus feel? _____

3. As described on page 516, how do the senators and the people react after Caesar's assassination? _____

4. According to page 521 what request does Antony make of Brutus? _____

5. According to page 522 after Antony is left alone with Caesar's body, how does his attitude change? _____

6. According to page 525 for what reason does Brutus tell the crowd he slew Caesar? _____

7. As described on pages 526-527, how does the crowd react to Brutus's speech? _____

8. According to page 530 what do the plebeians force Antony to do? _____

9. As described on page 533, how does the crowd behave as Antony's speech ends? _____

10. What does Scene iii reveal about the plebeians? _____

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READING GUIDE (pages 537-551)

1. How much time passes between the end of Act III and the beginning of Act IV? _____

2. As described on pages 537-538, list three things that Antony says about Lepidus. _____

3. According to page 540 Cassius accuses Brutus of wronging him. In what way does Brutus respond?

4. According to page 541 Brutus accuses Cassius of _____

5. According to page 542 Brutus reveals another reason he is angry with Cassius. What did Cassius refuse to give him? _____

6. According to page 545 what personal grief has Brutus recently suffered? _____

7. Why does Cassius think that he and Brutus should wait for the enemy to come to them, according to page 548? _____

8. According to page 543 why does Brutus think he and Cassius should meet Antony and Octavius at Philippi? _____

9. As described on page 548, which man is really in charge, Brutus or Cassius? _____

10. According to page 550 the Ghost of Caesar tells Brutus that _____

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Julius Caesar, Act V William Shakespeare

READING GUIDE (pages 553-567)

1. Where and when does Act V take place? _____

2. According to page 556 what do the two armies do after Octavius and Antony argue with Brutus and Cassius? _____

3. As described on page 556, how does Cassius feel about the upcoming battle, and why? _____

4. According to page 559 what does Pindarus tell Cassius about Titinius? _____

5. According to pages 559-560 what does Cassius ask Pindarus to do? Why? _____

6. Whom does Brutus blame for the deaths of Cassius and Titinius (page 561)? Could their deaths have been avoided? _____

7. According to page 563 why does Lucilius say that he is Brutus? _____

8. As described on page 565, Brutus believes that his death is near because _____

9. According to page 566 how does Brutus die? _____

10. According to page 567 why does Antony honor Brutus? _____

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