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Write your answer to Section A Question (a) here:

Shakespeare presents Lady Macbeth as loving, but only to her partner, Macbeth. We can see this as she explains to Macbeth that she has "given suck" and that she knows how "tender it is to love the babe that milks her." However, she then says that she would "dash the brains out" of the baby. This shows that she would do the ~~more~~ most cruel and heart-breaking things for her partner, Macbeth.

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Write your answer to Section A Question (b) here:

The following lines could be performed:
Macbeth: Will it not be received, When we have marked the blood these sleepy two of his own chamber, and used their very daggers, that they have done it?

Macbeth could be pacing back and forth, with his hand on his chin. Also, he could be looking down at the floor whilst doing this, with a concentrated facial expression (frowning). He ~~could~~ could do this because he isn't sure if this plan would work or not, and it shows that he is thinking deeply, perhaps about the consequences if he gets caught. Also, he could have a fast, questioning tone, showing that he is questioning his wife, whilst being worried. Lady Macbeth could then walk in front of Macbeth to stop him from pacing and speak loud and clear to him whilst grasping his arms and looking at him straight into his eyes with a sad look on her face (eyebrows slanted.) To try and calm Macbeth down and convince him (by looking into his eyes) that this is for his wife too. Macbeth could then close his eyes and take a deep breath with no emotion on his face, then open his eyes and smile at his wife whilst talking in a gentle tone, showing that he is calm and convinced.

Write your answer to Section A Question (c) here:

In another part of the play, When Macbeth and Macduff's battle is about to comence, Lady Macbeth commits suicide. This is significant because before this had happened, Lady Macbeth said that murdering Duncan would be better for her and Macbeth. But instead, she had gave her soul to the devil, and in exchange she was filled with darkness. She then became insane and killed herself. If we knew for certain that Catholic religion was true, she would have been sent to eternal pain in hell. Then, without caring about his wife's death, Macbeth does battle with Macduff and then he also dies; sending him to hell aswell for manslaughter. All of this happened simply because the only thing that those two wanted was to become King and Queen. Their whole lives (and maybe even their afterlives) have been ruined. So Lady Macbeth was completely wrong. There's also a moral behind the play. The higher you climb, the harder you fall. It also teaches that you should be grateful for what you have.

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TOTAL FOR SECTION A = 24 MARKS