

Read the following extract from Act 5, Scene 7 and then answer the question that follows. Macbeth and Macduff meet face to face. They fight.

MACBETH *I bear a charmed life, which must not yield
To one of woman born.*

MACDUFF *Despair thy charm,
And let the angel whom thou still hast served
Tell thee, Macduff was from his mother's womb
Untimely ripped.*

MACBETH *Accursèd be that tongue that tells me so,
For it hath cowed my better part of man!
And be these juggling fiends no more believed,
That palter with us in a double sense,
That keep the word of promise to our ear,
And break it to our hope. I'll not fight with thee.*

MACDUFF *Then yield thee, coward,
And live to be the show and gaze o' th' time.
We'll have thee, as our rarer monsters are,
Painted on a pole, and underwrit,
"Here may you see the tyrant."*

MACBETH *I will not yield,
To kiss the ground before young Malcolm's feet,
And to be baited with the rabble's curse.
Though Birnam Wood be come to Dunsinane,
And thou opposed, being of no woman born,
Yet I will try the last. Before my body
I throw my warlike shield. Lay on, Macduff,
And damned be him that first cries, "Hold, enough!"*

Exeunt, fighting. Alarums. They enter fighting, and **MACBETH** slain.

Starting with this extract, write about how Shakespeare presents bravery in the play. Write about

- how Shakespeare presents Macbeth's bravery in this extract
- how Shakespeare presents bravery in the play as a whole.