***Exemplar Note Taking for Individual Scenes***

**Key quotes from the scene?**

‘Who’s there?’

‘tis but our fantasy’

‘this bodes some strange eruption to our state’

‘young Fortinbras…. Sharked up a list of lawless resolutes’

‘portentous figure’

‘Speak to me’

‘this spirit dumb to us will speak to him’

**Most important techniques used here?**

Use of questions

Stichomythia/shared lines to create tension

Doubling – Fortinbras and Hamlet – father and son

Repetition – ‘speak to me’ ‘speak’ – no answer

Gaps in metre create silences – missed beats throughout

**Themes and ideas?**

Doubts/ uncertainty – seeing/believing

Revenge

Disruption – ‘a mote it is to trouble the mind’s eye’

**As an opening, what kind of expectations does this scene create?**

Revenge tragedy – typical feature is of a ghost

Dead and living

Supernatural

Political tension/ threat of war