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The Blotted Escutcheon and the Soiled Ermine



Worksheet · Grades 9+

Comprehension Questions

1. What does the Blotted Escutcheon claim about the spots on its surface?
2. How does the Soiled Ermine respond to the Blotted Escutcheon's statement?
3. What does the term "Infamous Falsehood" refer to in the context of the story?
4. In what ways do both characters attempt to defend their honor?
5. What moral lesson can be inferred from the interactions between the Blotted Escutcheon and the Soiled Ermine?

Vocabulary Matching Exercise

Match the words from the left column with their correct definitions in the right column.

Vocabulary	Definition
Escutcheon	A shield or emblem bearing a coat of arms
Calumniated	To make false and defamatory statements about someone
Fur	The short, fine hair of certain animals
Moral Lesson	A lesson that can be derived from a story or experience
Fawn	A young deer

Reflection Task

Reflect on the themes presented in the story. Write your thoughts below:

1. What did you find most interesting about the characters' arguments?

2. How do you think the story conveys a moral lesson?

3. Can you relate the messages in this story to any experiences in your own life?

4. What is your personal takeaway from "The Blotted Escutcheon and the Soiled Ermine"?