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Julius Caesar Act 2, sc. 2 - 3

DIRECTIONS: Open your book to page 75 to Act 2, sc. 2. You may also listen to the audio posted in Classroom as you read and answer the questions below.

1. In lines 13-26, Calpurnia tries to convince her husband Julius Caesar not to go to the capitol on the Ides of March. **In those lines, underline two of the scary things she has seen in the streets.**
2. Caesar does not seem deterred by these frightening things! Look at line 34. **What do you think Caesar means when he says “Cowards die many times before their deaths;/The valiant never taste of death but once”?**
3. Calpurnia begs Caesar not to go. She says she will take the blame or he can just say he’s not feeling well because she had a bad dream and fears for his safety. He seems to accept this, until Decius (one of the conspirators) comes to bring him along to the Capitol. **How does Decius get him to change his mind?**
4. At the top of page 83, the conspirators meet up with Antony and Caesar. Caesar is happy to see them. **Which line shows how he feels about these men?**
5. In scene 3, Caesar is warned once again (this time more specifically) of what awaits him at the Capitol. **Based on what you have learned about Caesar or read in the last scene, is Caesar likely to listen? Why/why not?** *(For this question, I’d like you to answer with a claim using key words from the question, specific evidence to support your claim, and two sentences of elaboration that explain your evidence and its significance. Try to use a transition word too!)*