

## Aftermath of the Assassination

### Part A.

**Directions:** Use the following questions to understand the political situation presented in act 4, scene 1.

1. The scene presents the triumvirate that followed Caesar—Mark Antony, Octavius, and Lepidus. Do they appear to be equals, or does one stand out as the leader?
2. Consider Antony's funeral oration in act 3 and the view of him here. What do you conclude about him?
3. What are the men bargaining about at the beginning of the scene? What does this show about them?
4. What does Antony hope to accomplish?
5. What do Octavius's closing words indicate about the power of the triumvirate?

