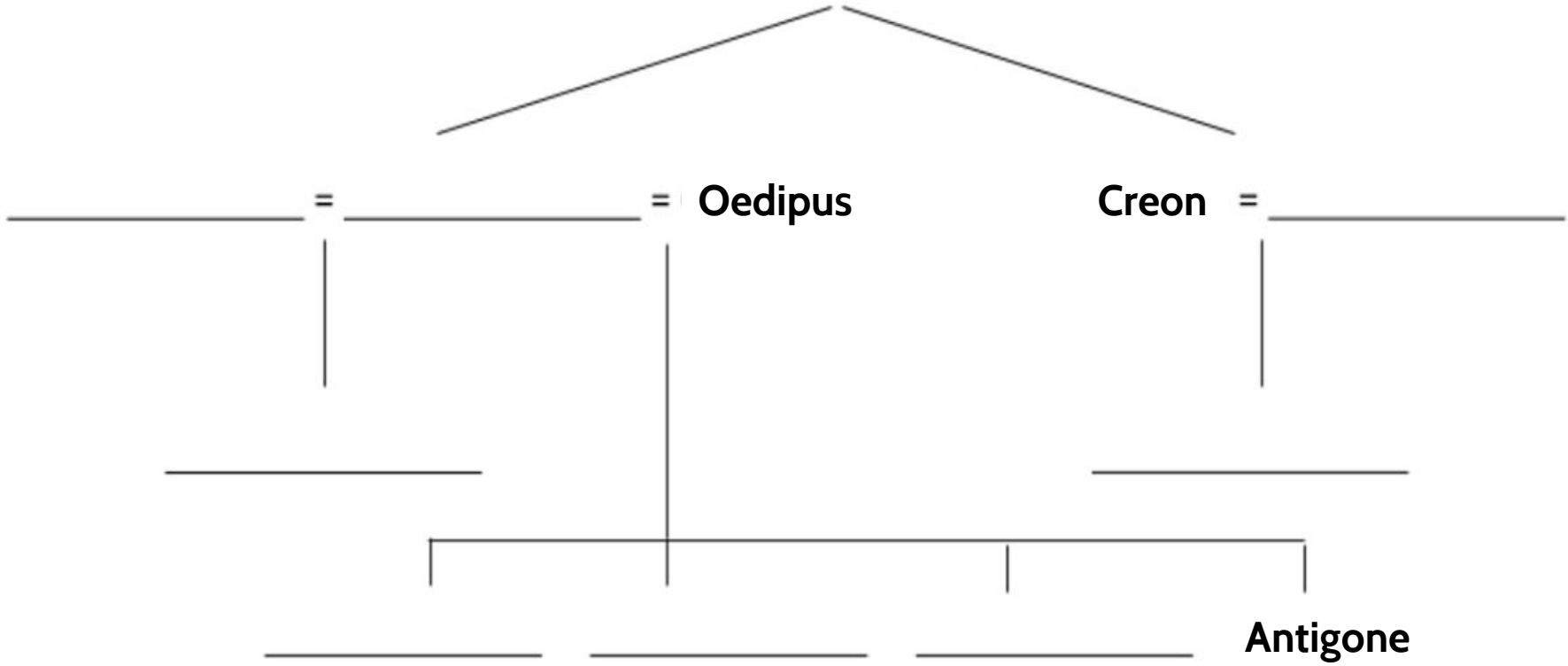


ANTIGONE FAMILY TREE

And the Myth of Oedipus

Menoceus



Oedipus

Creon

Antigone

Menoceus

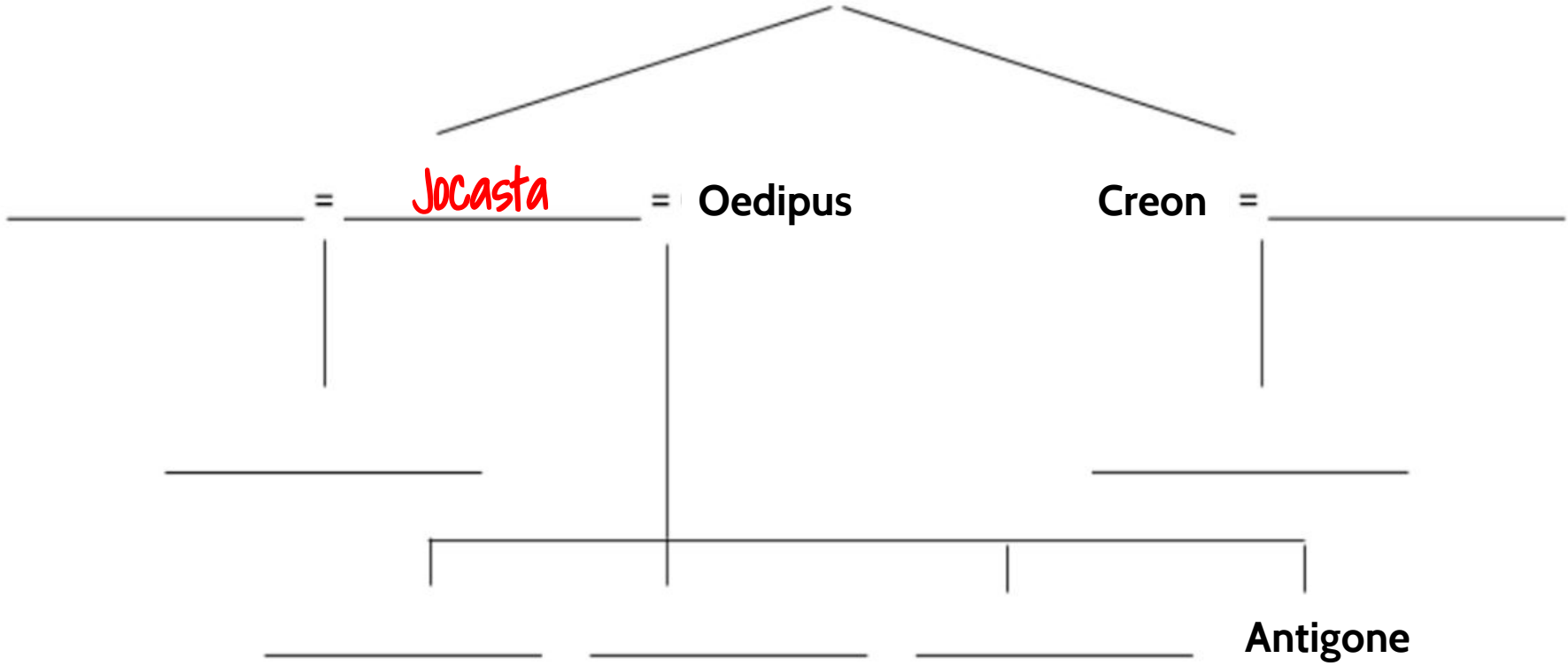
The king of Thebes; Father to Creon & Jocasta

Jocasta

Oedipus

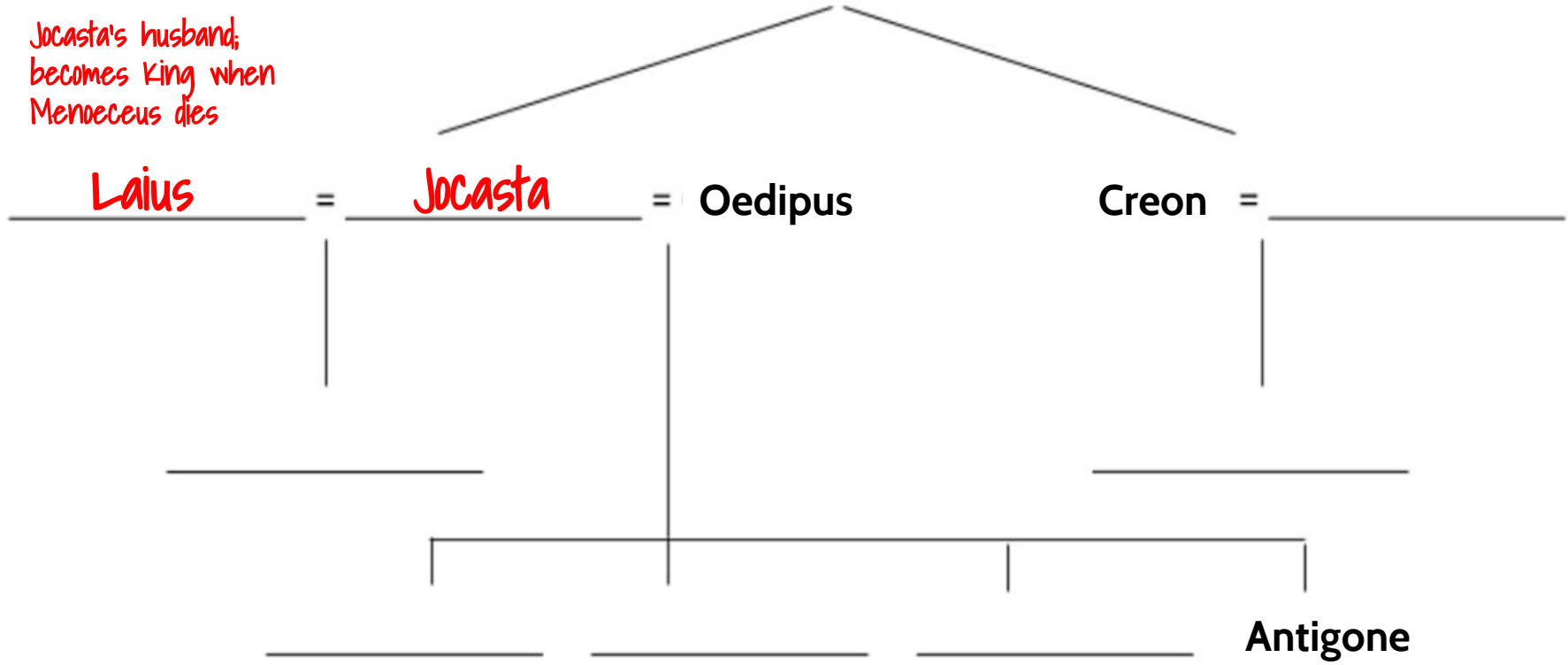
Creon

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Menoceus

Jocasta's husband;
becomes King when
Menoceus dies



Laius

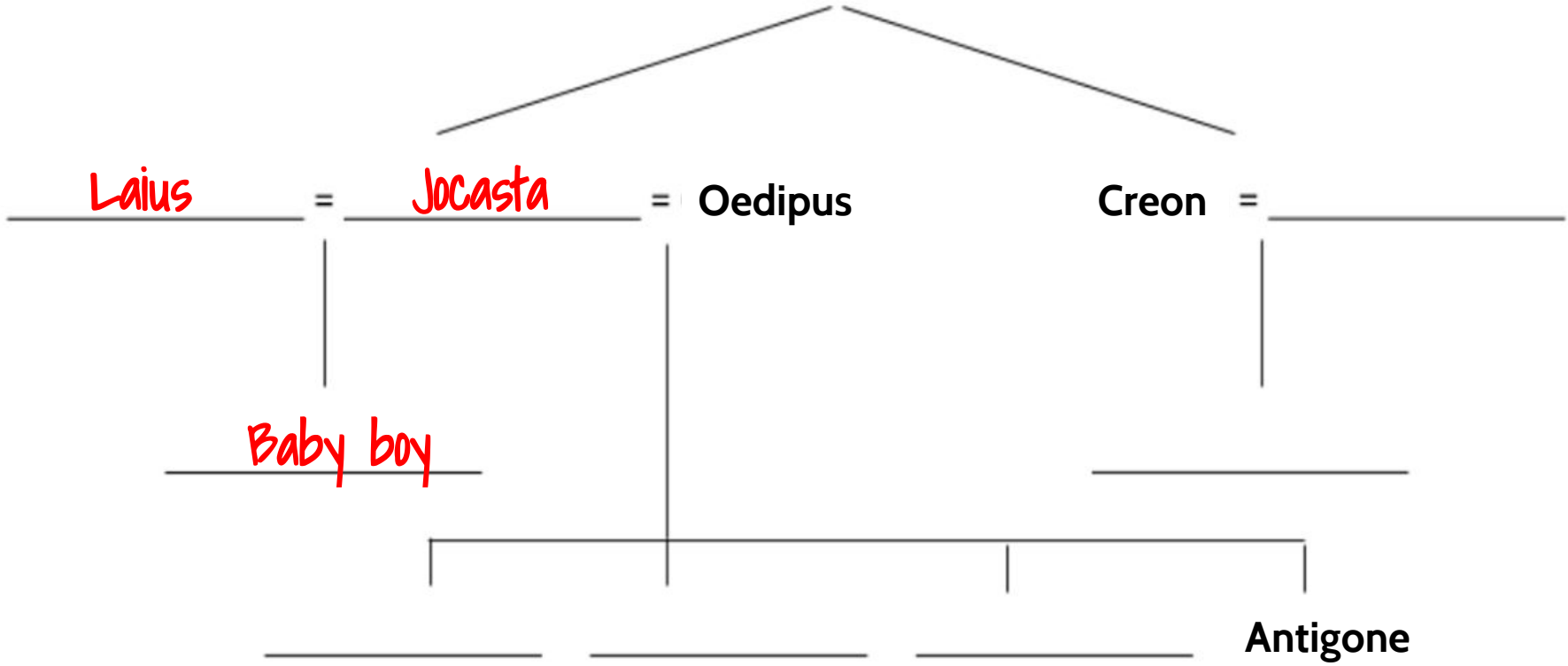
Jocasta

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Laius

Jocasta

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Creon =

Baby boy

Antigone

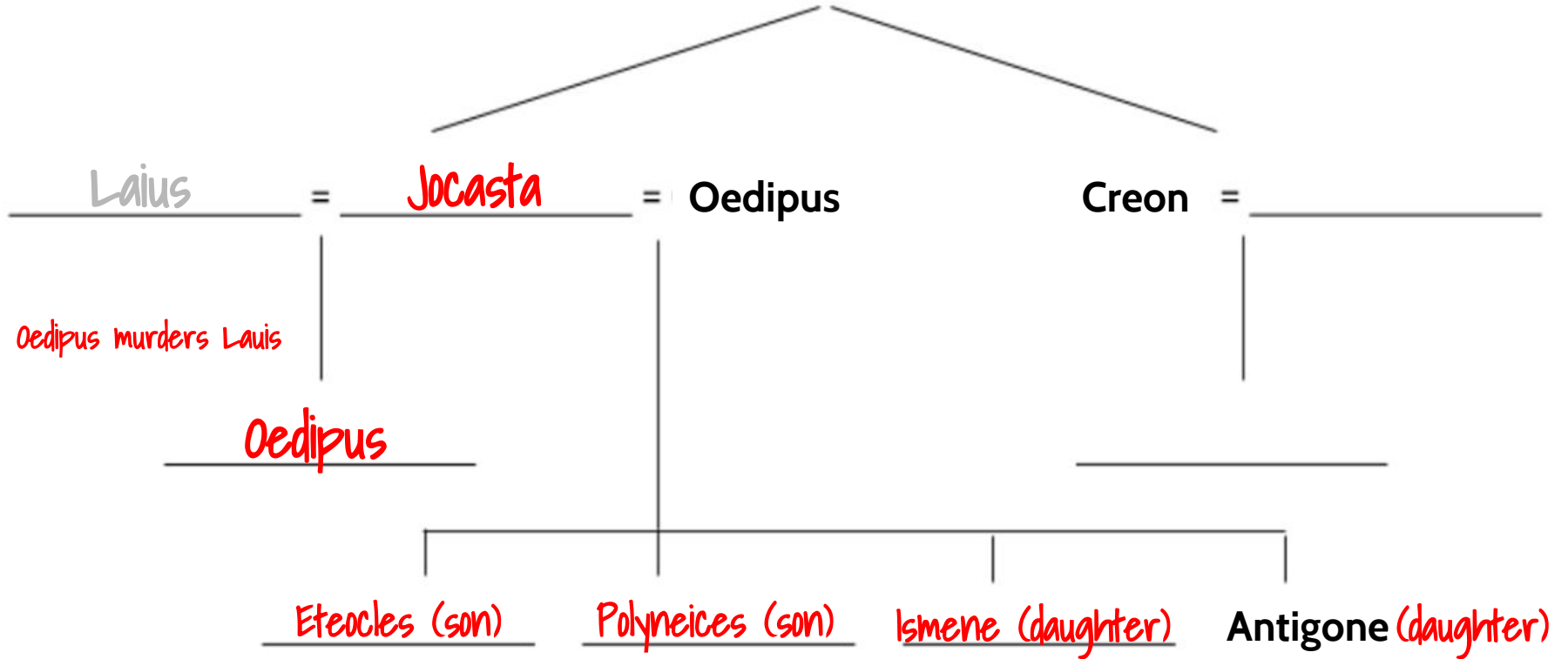
THE MYTH OF OEDIPUS

When their baby boy is born, a soothsayer (fortune teller) tells Jocasta and King Laius that their son will grow up to one day kill his father and marry his mother.

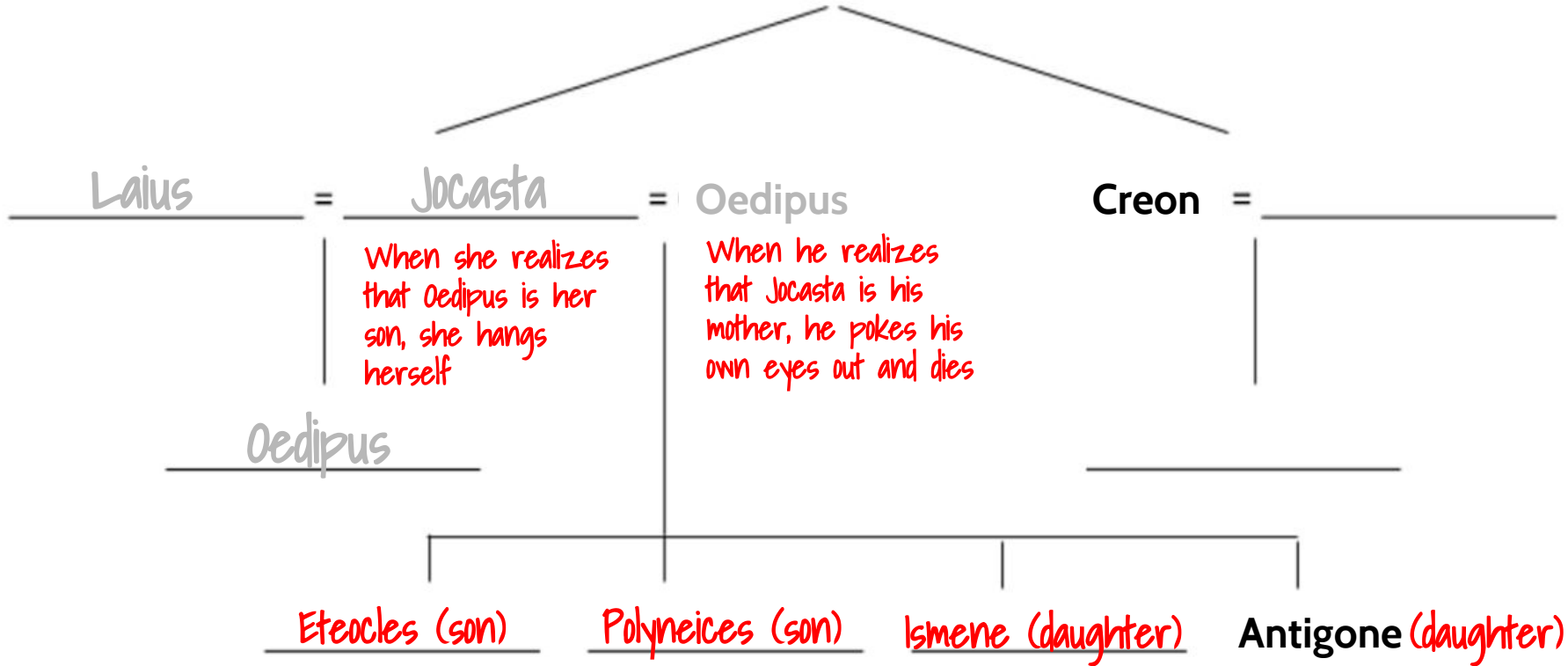
They leave the baby on a hillside to die and avoid this premonition.

A couple finds the abandoned baby and instead raise him as their own son, named Oedipus. He never knows that King Laius and Queen Jocasta are really his mom and dad.

Menoceus



Menoceus



Laius

Jocasta

Oedipus

Creon

When she realizes that Oedipus is her son, she hangs herself

When he realizes that Jocasta is his mother, he pokes his own eyes out and dies

Oedipus

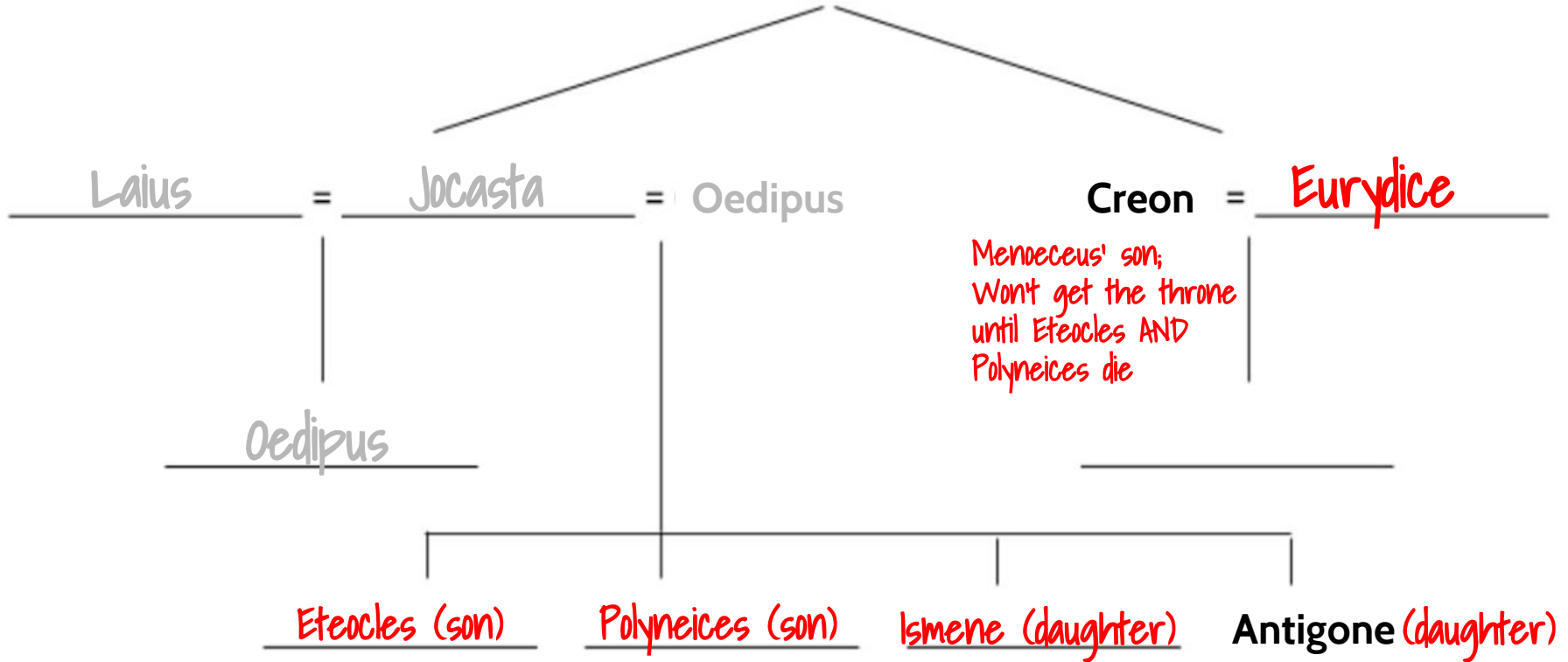
Eteocles (son)

Polyneices (son)

Ismene (daughter)

Antigone (daughter)

Menoceus



Laius

Jocasta

Oedipus

Creon

Eurydice

Menoecus' son;
Won't get the throne
until Eteocles AND
Polyneices die

Oedipus

Eteocles (son)

Polyneices (son)

Ismene (daughter)

Antigone (daughter)

THE MYTH OF SEVEN AGAINST THEBES

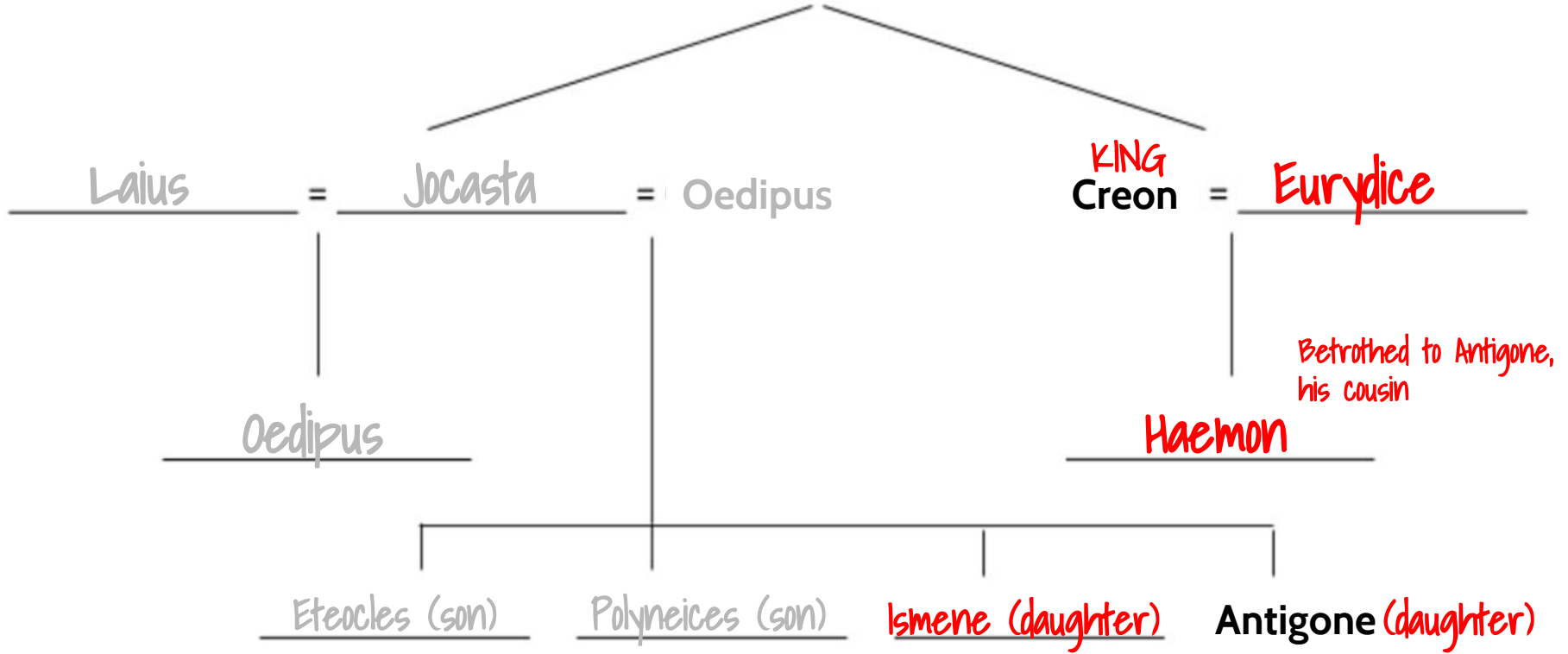
When Oedipus dies, Eteocles and Polyneices become the rightful heirs to the throne.

They agree to alternate ruling for one year at a time. Eteocles starts, but when he refuses to give the throne to Polyneices after a year, he banishes (exiles) Polyneices.

Polyneices gathers an army to fight Eteocles and the two brothers end up killing each other.

This leaves Creon as the rightful heir to the throne.

Menoceus



Only the characters circled in purple are ALIVE when the play begins. The rest are dead.

