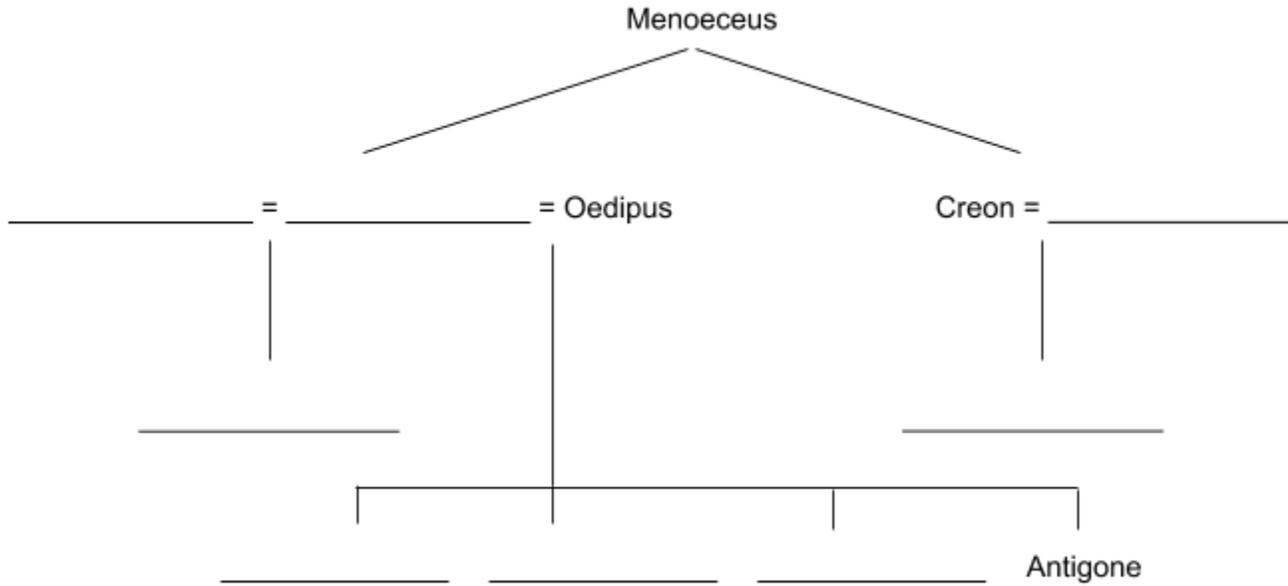


“Antigone” Review Packet

Antigone Family Tree



Character Identification

Directions: Write the name of the character next to the matching description.

- _____ 1. intended to marry Antigone; commits suicide
- _____ 2. the original King of Thebes
- _____ 3. mother to Antigone; marries her own son
- _____ 4. commits suicide after hearing of her son's death
- _____ 5. believes in the laws of the god
- _____ 6. publicly forbids the burying of Polyneices
- _____ 7. too weak to go against the laws of the government
- _____ 8. murdered by his own son
- _____ 9. the origin of the curse on Antigone's family; has sex with his mother
- _____ 10. refuses to give the throne to his brother after one year of rule
- _____ 11. claims that Laius' son will kill him when he is older
- _____ 12. attacks Thebes in the hope of regaining the throne

Reading Comprehension

Directions: Please answer the following questions in complete sentences.

1. Who wrote the play “Antigone”?
2. What was the name of the battle that occurred between Polyneices and Eteocles?
3. Write down all of the **external conflicts** within the play.

4. Write down all of the **internal conflicts** within the play.

5. Who is the protagonist?
6. Who is the antagonist?
7. Make an argument as to why Antigone and Ismene can be considered foils of one another.

8. Find and cite a piece of dramatic irony from the play and then explain it.

9. Note the primary concern or priority for each of the following characters:

a. Antigone

b. Ismene

c. Creon

d. Haemon

10. According to Antigone, who is to blame for her family troubles? Why?

11. Why should Teiresias be trusted according to the choragus?

12. List those who have died **during** the play.

13. Which characters are **alive** at the end of the play?

14. Which deaths are the fault of Creon? Explain your reasoning.

The Songs

Directions: Match the song with the description to the right.

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| ___ 1. Parados | A. a hymn to the gods asking for help in driving the evil out of Thebes |
| ___ 2. Ode 1 | B. describes the strength of man against all but death; foreshadows the issues that come when men go against the law |
| ___ 3. Ode 2 | C. describes the curse of Oedipus and the gods' long grudge against the family |
| ___ 4. Ode 3 | D. description of the battle that occurred between the two sons of Oedipus |
| ___ 5. Ode 4 | E. shares the myth of Danae and King Phineus whose lives have similar issues as Menoecus' family |
| ___ 6. Paean | F. describes love as the greatest power alive, noting the power of Haemon's love for Antigone and Antigone's love for her brother |