***Antigone* Study Guide**

Answer the following questions. Use your *Antigone* book and your Greek Drama notes to help you.

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**Define the following terms:**

Tragedy Dramatic Irony

Tragic Hero Tragic Flaw

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**Give descriptions and characteristics of the following characters:**

Antigone

Ismene

Creon

Jocasta

Oedipus

Haimon

Eteocles

Polyneices

Choragos

Sophocles

Sentry

Dionysus

Eurydice

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**Answer the following questions to help you understand the plot of the story:**

1. Why did Antigone’s two brothers kill each other? Explain what happened?
2. What the two crimes that Antigone is accused of committing?
3. Creon’s first punishment for Antigone is what?
4. Explain why Antigone buried her brother’s body. What were her reasons?
5. What concealed Antigone when she buried the body? Why didn’t anyone see her? How did she get caught the second time?
6. Why won’t Antigone let Ismene take any of the blame?
7. Why does Ismene want to die?
8. What does Haimon threaten to do after speaking with his father?
9. Why does Creon change Antigone’s punishment? What is it? Why does he feel this works best for him?
10. Why does Creon go and bury Polyneices before going to save Antigone?
11. Why does Haimon defy his father, according to the chorus?
12. Why didn’t Creon want to give Polyneices a proper burial in the first place?
13. What is the major conflict in *Antigone*?
14. Why did Teiresias, the blind prophet, prophesize to Creon? What ended up happening?
15. What did Creon think of money?
16. What is the purpose the chorus in the play? Why do they sing after each scene?
17. Explain how each of the main characters dies.
18. At the end of the play, what is the moral of the story?
19. Briefly summarize the Oedipus story.
20. What god did the Greek play pay worship to?
21. What were 3 of the reasons actors wore masks in Greek plays?