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Notes heading

Write down title & date.

Step 3 →
Start the Welcome
Work

# Introduction to Antigone

A Day: 12/1/15

**B Day**: 12/2/15

Essay: Answer the following questions about your essay.

- 1. What do you think you will get?
- 2. Was this easier or harder than the last essay?

Song of the day: "Katie Queen of Tennessee" by Apache Relay

# General essay comments:

- Organization was great!
  - If you had "TOPIC" written at the start of your BP, then you need to add a topic sentence.
    - Include FIDD and theme!
    - DON'T launch into a plot point!
- Most successful essays addressed the work as a whole.
- This means that you should have discussed Amir's journey and what Hosseini was **positioning the reader** to understand about the past, history, the Taliban, etc.

## Let's write an introduction:

- 1-2 sentence **hook** → TAG and quick explanation about the novel, perhaps addressing the cultural context.
- THESIS -> Theme and two FIDDS. Use better word choice to describe your FIDDS!

#### **BOO!**

- Vivid imagery
- portant details
- Sp ific details
- Elate etails
- Meaning syntax
- Emotional action
- Connotative do ion
- Learned diction
- Delighted diction
- Eye-opening diction

#### YAY!

- Simplistic diction
- Haunting diction
- Visual/tactile/auditory imagery
- Ironic details
- Sentimental detail
- Broken syntax
- Repetitive syntax

Grammar: Pop Quiz

#### Drama Conventions

- Act: a major division within a play or an opera
- Scene: a division of a play or of an act of a play
- **Dialogue:** the conversation between characters in a novel, drama, etc.
- Monologue: a long, uninterrupted speech that is spoken in the presence of other characters

#### Drama Conventions

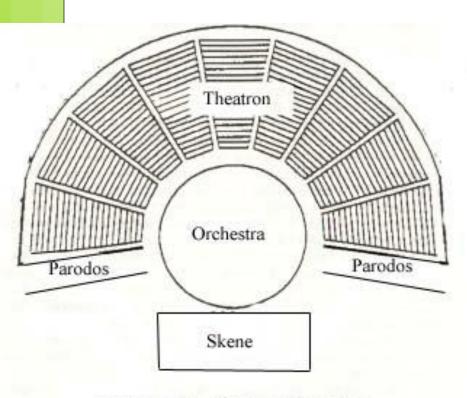
- **Soliloquy:** a speech in which a character, alone on stage, expresses his or her thoughts aloud
- Stage Directions: an instruction written into the script of a play, indicating stage actions, movements of performers, or production requirements
- Aside: a part of an actor's lines supposedly not heard by others on the stage and intended only for the audience

# **Greek terminology**

- Tragedy—an imitation of a serious action which will arouse pity and fear in the viewer
- Tragic hero—a character, usually of high birth, neither totally good nor totally evil, whose downfall is brought about by some weakness or error in judgment
- Hubris—arrogance or overweening pride which causes the hero's transgression against the gods; usually, the tragic flaw
- Nemesis—Fate that cannot be escaped

#### Structure of Greek Theater

- Thousands of Greeks attended the theater.
  - Originally they stood (all day) to watch the performances, but eventually there were wooden seats and ultimately stone benches.
  - The horseshoe-shaped viewing area was the theatron or "watching place" and held as many as 16,000 citizens



Parts of a Greek Theater

- In front of and surrounded on three sides of the viewing area was the orchestra or "dancing place."
- The *thymele*, an altar to Dionysus, stood in the center. It was here that the interaction between actors and Chorus took place.
- Behind the orchestra was a changing hut or dressing room, the skene building.
- The **parados** was the entrance to the orchestra used by the Chorus, and often by the spectators. These were at either end of the skene building.

#### Theatre of Dionysus in Athens, Greece





Me and all my friends



#### **MASKS**

They used larger than life masks combined with sweeping gestures and declamatory delivery to create a dramatic, believable impact.

The masks identified the speaker as male/female, young/old, grief-stricken/hopeful. The open mouth was to increase the resonance of the actor's voice.

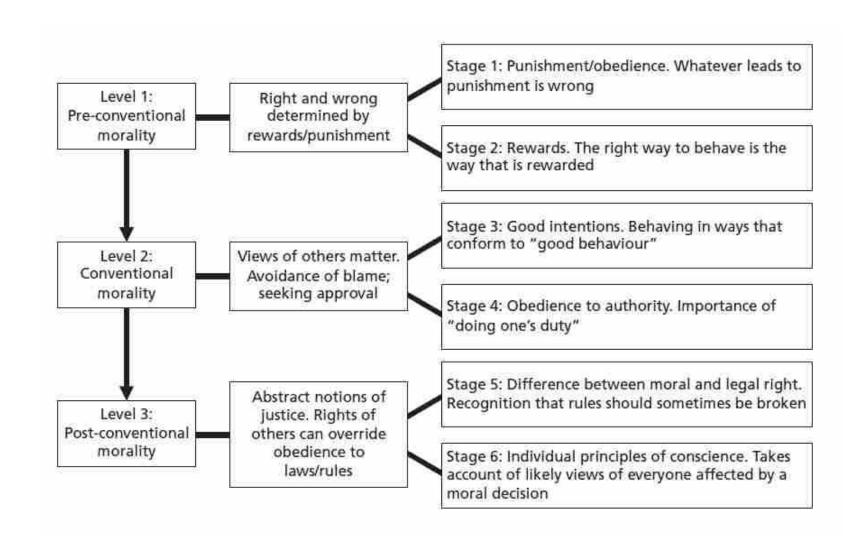
#### The Chorus

- The Chorus helped the mood, added beauty to the production, provided background information, divided the action into episodes, and reflected on events and themes.
  - The chorus was made up of background characters, such as town elders, young maidens, or captives of war.
  - They asked ?s, commented on actions, offered approval or criticism, and gave advice, usually through the chorus leader.
  - Choral odes were an integral part of tragedy, not to be considered outside the action.

## Limitations of Greek Theater

- Rather than coming and going like other characters, the Chorus (15 men in Sophocles' time) remained a continuous presence throughout the play.
  - For the most part, they stood in the background, occasionally speaking with a character but mainly silent until the recitation of an ode.
- Unlike modern theater, there were no intermissions between acts, no opening and closing of a curtain, and no lighting effects since plays were performed in outdoor theaters during daylight hours.

#### Heinz Moral Dilemma



## **HOMEWORK:**

NONE