

C&T notes (Oedipus, 9/18)

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Passages:

1071 pg 46- jocasta

11886-1220- chorus summarizes plot w/o dialogue

873-878 hybris flows from tyranny

674- Oedipus always angry

376- who's bringing doom

412-413- Tiresias foreshadowing Oedipus blindness

428-436- tarreseus and Oedipus are harsh, yet humble

1524-1530- a man isn't happy until he has lived his whole life

800-813- description of how Oedipus killed liaus

1083- I rise and fall like phases of the moon

1369-1411- Oedipus speaks of his blindness vs. suicide

Class discussion:

- thought son was dead until told otherwise
- realization of what she had done and flees because of it
- what would she have done if Oedipus would have found out?
- oedipus is offended about his fathers doings
- theme from odyssey—lower classes are dispensable
- culture: to know the outcome of the play beforehand
- what makes this a tragedy?—prophecy is fulfilled perfectly
- knowledge of fate and acting against it