



10th Grade World Literature

2021-2022

10th Grade – All students will read the book of *Romans* from the *New Testament*

CP and Honors World Literature – *Antigone* by Sophocles

Complete the following questions listed below on your own paper and turn in the first day of school.

Antigone Study Questions 10th Grade Summer Reading

1. Where is the story set?
2. How did Antigone and Ismene's brother's die?
3. What order has Creon given regarding Polynices' body?
4. Why does Ismene tell her sister, "You are mad!"
5. What happened to Antigone's and Ismene's parents?
6. Why doesn't Ismene help her sister?
7. Who are the members of the Chorus?
8. When the Chorus members first appear, what background information do they provide?

9. Who was Capaneus? What happened to him?
10. According to the Chorus, by whom were the seven captains overthrown?
11. Put the Chorus's advice into your own words: "Let us begin oblivion of the past."
12. Briefly summarize what the chorus is saying about man and nature.
13. How was Antigone captured-by whom?
14. What happened right before Antigone was detected alongside of the body?
15. What was Antigone doing with the "cruse"?
16. Creon accuses Antigone of exulting in her outrageous deed. Cite one of her lines that demonstrates her exulting.
17. According to Antigone, why doesn't anyone express approval of her actions?
18. What does Antigone mean when she says, "It was no bondman that perished, but a brother"?
19. Why does Ismene say that she helped Antigone?
20. Why doesn't Creon order Ismene killed?
21. Why does Antigone accuse Creon of slighting his own son?

22. Who was Perseus and why does the Chorus mention him as Antigone is led to her death?
23. Who is Tiresias?
24. What does Tiresias advise Creon to do?
25. What does Creon think of Tiresias' advice?
26. Tiresias predicts that Creon will pay for Antigone's death-how?
27. How does Creon change his plans after listening to Tiresias?
28. Select a passage of the Chorus and discuss their tone.
29. Why does the messenger say that Creon has lost all?
30. How did Haemon die?
31. What was done with Polynices' body?
32. Whom does Creon blame for his son's death?
33. How does Eurydice die- and whom does Creon blame?