

Essay Outline:

I. Thesis Paragraph

Hook (anecdote, quote and explanation, or rhetorical questions)

Thesis Statement (Respond directly to the essay question. Cite the title of the play correctly.)

Road map

II. Stature

Consider his stature using at least two criteria. For Oedipus, we used political, intellectual and moral.

III. Pride

IV. Suffering

For Oedipus, we considered emotional and physical suffering.

V. Ignorance to Knowledge

Does Troy move from ignorance to knowledge?

VI. Reversal of Fortune

Does Troy move from good fortune to bad?

Note:

- Paragraphs one, two and three must have at least two sandwiches each.
- Paragraphs four and five will have four sandwiches set up in a symmetrical format.
- Given the essay question, your first three topic sentences will be one of three types. Example: Troy displays pride. Troy displays no pride. Troy displays some pride. (If it is the latter, you will provide one example of pride and one example of a lack of pride.)
- Your next two topic sentences will be one of three types. Example: Troy moves from ignorance to knowledge. Troy moves from knowledge to ignorance. Troy's knowledge of himself and the world does not change.
- Of course, you also will use analytic sign words.