

Antigone, Jean Anouilh

Study Guide 1

Name: _____

Period: _____

1. What is said about the play's setting?
2. What is the character's name who introduces the other characters?
3. How is Antigone described? What is she wishing?
4. What is Antigone's sister's name? How is she described? What is she doing when she is introduced?
5. When the characters are introduced, their basic characteristics are given. What else is revealed about these characters?
6. How is Haemon described in the introduction? How is Haemon related to Creon? How is he related to Antigone?
7. What is Creon's occupation? What was Creon's former occupation?
8. How is the Nurse described? What is the Nurse doing when she is introduced?
9. What is Creon's wife doing when she is introduced? When Creon's wife is introduced, it is said she will continue her task until what?
10. Who is the youth alone on the other side of the stage? Why isn't he laughing and talking to the other characters on the stage?
11. Who are Eteocles and Polynices? What is the agreement between them? What is the result when Eteocles refuse to honor the agreement? What is the final, tragic result? What happens to Eteocle's body? To Polynices's? What is the punishment for not following the orders about Polynices's body?
12. Who is Oedipus? What happened to Oedipus?
13. What is Antigone carrying when she makes her entrance? How does she make her entrance?
14. Who confronts Antigone after she makes her entrance? What does that character think Antigone has been doing? How does Antigone respond?
15. What does the Nurse say in response to Antigone's reply about where she had been? How does Antigone feel when the Nurse gets frustrated? How does the Nurse express her frustration?
16. What is Antigone's plan? How does Antigone think her mother would feel about what she was doing?
17. Who else is looking for Antigone? What does Ismene try to do when Antigone wants to discuss her plan? What is Antigone's response to Ismene's reply when Antigone tells Ismene about her plan?

18. For what does the Nurse chastise Antigone and Ismene? What is Antigone's nickname for the Nurse?
19. How does Ismene think that Antigone behaves? Who does Ismene say dies for ideas?
20. Antigone says the Nurse is stronger than what? What does Antigone say wards off evil?
21. What is the name of Antigone's dog? What does she ask the Nurse to do?
22. Ismene tells Antigone that she is what? What does Antigone say that she is not?
23. When Haemon enters, what does the Nurse do?
24. What are the guards assigned to do? Who is Jonas? What does Creon do in response to the guards telling him what Antigone has done?
25. What instrument was used to throw earth on Polynices's body? What does Creon say he is going to do in response to Polynices's body being covered? How deeply was Polynices's body buried?
26. How do the guards and Jonas bring Antigone in? While the guards are discussing Antigone's capture, what does she ask of them?
27. What was Jonas doing when he discovered Antigone covering Polynices's body? What does Creon intend to do to the guards after the discovery that Polynices's body has been disturbed? What does Creon say will happen to Jonas if he keeps quiet?
28. What according to the Chorus are the four aspects of tragedy?
29. What does Antigone say when Creon confronts her about covering Polynices? What is distinctive about the item Antigone uses to bury Polynices?
30. What do the guards wonder after they apprehend Antigone? How does Antigone try to convince the guards to let her go?
31. What is the first thing that Creon asks Antigone? How does Antigone respond?
32. What does Creon tell Antigone to do in response to his first question? What does Creon say he will do if Antigone does what he tells her to do? What does Antigone do in response to Creon's promise?
33. To what does Antigone say that Polynices is entitled?
34. Creon explodes into a long speech and tells Antigone that she is just like whom? Antigone tells Creon that she knew all along Creon would do what?

35. Creon tells Antigone that she should go home and do what? When Creon tells Antigone to leave, why does Creon stop her? When Creon asks where Antigone is going, what does she say?
36. What does Creon say will happen if Antigone succeeds in burying Polynices? What is the reasoning that Creon gives for treating Polynices like he is?
37. What does Creon say about the ritual of burial? For whom does Antigone say she must bury Polynices?
38. How does Antigone ask Creon to kill her? Why? What does Creon say he wants to do?
39. What does Creon say about Polynices and Eteocles?
40. What does the Chorus try to convince Creon to do? What does Creon tell the Chorus about Antigone? What does the Chorus remind Creon about Antigone?
41. When Haemon approaches his father, what does Creon tell him to do? What is Haemon's response?
42. Creon tells Haemon that sooner or later, every man must accept what? Haemon begs Creon to have the courage to be what? After Haemon's conversation with Creon is over, what does Haemon do?
43. What has happened to the palace? Antigone begs Creon to do something about the problem in the palace so she can do what?
44. With whom is Antigone left alone? Antigone asks how she will be executed. What is the answer?
45. What does Antigone ask Jonas the guard to do for her? When does Antigone tell Jonas she would like this favor done? Why is Jonas reluctant to do the favor for Antigone?
46. Antigone confesses that she is afraid of what? Why can't Antigone finish the letter? What is Jonas asking Antigone when the guards burst in?
47. How does Antigone leave?
48. The Chorus rushes in and makes two announcements. What are they?
49. After the Chorus's announcement, who enters the scene? What happened at Antigone's execution?
50. What did Creon do in response to what happened at Antigone's execution? How did Antigone die?
51. What was discovered inside the cave? What does Haemon do when Creon grabs him? How does Haemon kill himself? How were Antigone and Haemon buried?

52. What does Creon's wife do when she hears Haemon is dead? How does Eurydice kill herself? What does Creon say about the dead?
53. What time does the clock chime? Where does Creon go after the clock chimes?
54. What does the Chorus say about the living? About the dead? About Creon?
55. Where is Creon at the end of the play? What are the Guards doing?