



ANTIGONE

Teaching Resources Bundle

Greek tragedy • pre-reading context • mythology & allusions • tragic-hero analysis

FOUR RESOURCES. ONE COHERENT ARC.



Four coordinated resources for the context, allusions, and analysis that surround the play.

Formats	Grades	Resources	Sequence
PowerPoint + PDF	9–12	4	Before • During • After



A coherent Antigone teaching sequence

Each resource has a distinct job. Together they move students from understanding Greek tragedy to entering the play with context, tracking allusions, and building a post-reading argument.

BEFORE READING

01

Greek Theater & Tragedy Background

Give students the performance conventions, chorus, structure, and tragedy terms they need to read a Greek play intelligently.

IMMEDIATELY BEFORE ANTIGONE

02

Antigone Pre-Reading Background

Make the opening conflict comprehensible: House of Thebes, Oedipus backstory, brothers' civil war, Creon's decree, and burial context.

BEFORE / EARLY IN THE PLAY

03

Greek Mythology Background Project

Let students build shared background knowledge, then keep using the allusion guide as references appear in the text.

AFTER READING

04

Antigone vs. Creon Tragic Hero Analysis

Compare both characters through the same criteria, address the complications, and turn the evidence into an argument.

Use the full sequence or pull the pieces that fit your class.

Build the foundation before the first scene

One resource explains how Greek tragedy works. The next explains the story students are walking into.

01

Greek Theater & Tragedy Background

21-SLIDE PRESENTATION • GUIDED NOTES

- 7-page student guided-notes packet + 7-page teacher key
- 4-page teacher guide + 2-page teacher source notes
- Theater map, chorus, masks, dramatic structure, and essential tragedy terms

PowerPoint + PDF • designed to photocopy cleanly

02

Antigone Pre-Reading Background

18-SLIDE PRESENTATION • 1 CLASS PERIOD

- 7-page guided-notes packet + 7-page answer key
- 5-page teacher guide + 2-page teacher source notes
- House of Thebes, Oedipus backstory, brothers' conflict, Creon's decree, burial context, and a Prologue reading lens

PowerPoint + PDF • story-specific, not an Ancient Greece survey

Greek Mythology Background Project

Students research one focused topic, teach the useful background, and then keep the allusion guide beside the play as they read.

12-PAGE EDITABLE POWERPOINT

PRINT-READY PDF

2-DAY PROJECT

10 MYTHIC TOPICS

Zeus

Hades / Pluto

Aphrodite

Dionysus / Bacchus

Dirce & Thebes

Delphi & Prophecy

Muses

Hephaestus / Fire-God

Furies / Erinyes

Hecate

What's built in

Teacher guide + topic guide
 Student directions + research notes
 Presentation planning + class allusion guide

Follow-up allusion analysis
 40-point presentation rubric
 Gallery-walk option + 10 cut-apart topic cards

The key difference: students return to the background while reading instead of forgetting it after the presentation.

Antigone vs. Creon: Tragic Hero Analysis

The question stays open. Students build the strongest case for both characters before deciding what the evidence supports.

16-SLIDE PRESENTATION

8-PAGE STUDENT PACKET

8-PAGE TEACHER KEY

THE SHARED LENS

Stakes

Complexity

Hamartia

Responsibility

Reversal

Recognition

Cost

BUILD BOTH CASES

choice
warning
turning point
recognition
cost

PRESSURE-TEST THE CLAIM

Where is each case weak?
What would the other side say?
Which evidence matters most?
What claim survives?

Also includes a 4-page teacher guide, 2-page source notes, and an optional literary argument extension.

The teacher materials explicitly reward the reasoning — not the name students choose.

BUNDLE AT A GLANCE

What's included — and what isn't

This bundle is built to support the play with background, context, research, and analysis. It is not a scene-by-scene reading guide or a replacement for the text.

THIS BUNDLE INCLUDES

- Greek-tragedy background
- Antigone-specific pre-reading context
- Guided notes and answer keys
- Teacher guides and source notes
- Mythology/allusions research project
- Gallery-walk option and rubric
- Post-reading tragic-hero analysis
- Optional literary argument extension

THIS BUNDLE DOES NOT INCLUDE

- The text of Antigone
- A scene-by-scene reading guide
- Daily comprehension questions
- A complete unit assessment
- A required “correct” answer to the tragic-hero question

That distinction is deliberate.

Use these pieces around the edition and
pacing you already teach.

4 coordinated resources • editable PowerPoint + PDF • use the full sequence or mix and match