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Period 8

HW#81

1. One memorable thing I learned from the "Allegory of the Cave," was the point of view that the smart people will see the painful truth, while the ignorant may ostracize the smart ones. This lesson helps me pull through my life sometimes, especially when I am dealing with a group of dumb people who annoy me. One unmemorable thing was what caused the shadows to move in the cave because that was irrelevant to the text.

2. One memorable thing from Sophcles' Three Theban plays was the word hammartia, which means a great character flaw. What I find unmemorable would be Antigone because she sometimes says things at the wrong time that just makes the situation go from bad to worse.

3. One memorable thing from Hamilton's mythology was the myth about Bascius and Philemon because it teaches a story about humility and also points out that the poor seem to care more about the poor than anyone else. One unmemorable thing is the story about the moon falling in love with some boy since that story was relatively short with no point to it.

4.What I found memorable in *The Odyssey* was Odysseus because his luck is a lot like mine. He never gets a break, but he still perseveres anyway. What I found unmemorable was the ending because the deus ex machina of the ending was anticlimactic and ruined what otherwise would have been a good story.

5.What I found memorable in Aristophanes *The Clouds* was the whole illustration of the shift between Philosophy and Sophistry. Sophistry is the weaker argument, but only manages to win through tricking the opponent. What I found unmemorable was Aristophanes' dialogue about his competitors because I thought it had no place in the story.

My experience in this class was unique. This was the only English class where I have had quizzes and tests. Oddly enough, this class was also the one where I participated in the most. If I were to look back into my notebook ten years from now, I would remember all the vocabulary words that were memorized and the pain that came from having quizzes and tests in English on top of the days where I had other tests.