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HW#22

In the conversation between Creon and Haemon, Creon shows cases of hubris and hamartia. In lines 707 to 709, Creon says "Son, you've heard the final verdict on your bride? Are you coming now, ravaging against your father? Or do you love me, no matter what I do?" The way Creon phrases, he shows hubris because he expects his son to show absolute loyalty to him. Creon just sent Haemon's bride to death. Creon cannot expect Haemon to just by completely loyal to him after that. Haemon also points out one of Creon's hamartias. Haemon tells his father "I'm young. I know, but let me offer this: it would be best by far, I admit, if a man were born infallible, right by nature, if not --and things don't often go that way, its best to learn from those with good advice," (804-808). Haemon is offering advice to his father so that his father will stop being so stubborn, believing that he knows so much that he no longer has anything left to learn. In the conversation between Creon and Antigone, Creon continues showing hubris and hamartia. Creon demonstrates hamartia when he says "As for myself, my hands are clean," (975). This can be interpreted as flaw due to Creon not realizing his guilt by stating that his hands are clean of throwing Antigone into a cruel punishment. He also shows hubris when he says to Antigone that her doom is sealed. He thinks so highly of himself that he doesn't realize that Antigone's punishment is not completely supported by the public.