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"Oedipus at Colonus" is a tragedy. Aristotle's definition of a tragedy is of a play that shows deep sad emotion that ultimately ends in catharsis. Oedipus, who is already blind and crippled, ends up dying after having an argument and scolding Creon and Poliences. In between, he finds solace in Athens and is on good terms with Theseus. When a thunderstorm happens, Oedipus takes it as the gods' sign that he will fulfill the prophecy of death. He has a few last moments with his daughters before dying in a place where he has forbidden anyone from ever visiting. This would be the moment of catharsis for the tragic heroes, the daughters of Oedipus, who are clearly shaken up by the whole ordeal.