

Shepard Academy

English 10H

Literature Study

*Oedipus Rex* by Sophocles – Anticipation Guide

**Directions:** For each of the following statements, check “AGREE” or “DISAGREE,” depending on whether you personally think it is true or false. Then, respond to each statement explaining why you answered the way you did. Try to give specific examples in your responses. There are no right or wrong answers.

1. It is possible to escape or trick fate.

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Reasoning

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2. We should not attempt to justify our actions, whether good or bad.

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3. If knowing the truth leads to pain, it is better not to know it.

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4. We should accept whatever life throws our way, even if we do not like it.

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5. It is better to keep a dark secret to yourself than to expose the ugly truth.

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6. It is wrong to question society’s beliefs.

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7. All types of pride are evil.

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8. You cannot be blamed for something you did in ignorance.

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